



By JUDY SIEGEL and LIAT COLLINS

The Health Ministry has decid-

ed to file a NIS 20 billion lawsuit

against Israeli and foreign manu-

facturers and importers of tobacco.

products to pay some of the health

system's costs of treating smok-ers. Some 5,000 smokers in Israel

die from tobacco-related causes.

A similar lawsuit, with hundreds

of billions of dollars at stake, is

being organized by 30 US states,

with Minnesota at the forefront of

the campaign. Israel will apparently adopt the policy of Minnesota of asking the

court to force the tobacco companies to pay all its legal fees. The decision "in principle" was

announced yesterday in the

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Knesset on World No-Tobacco Day by Deputy Health Minister Shlomo Benizri, who has been appointed by Health Minister Yehoshua Matza to head antismoking efforts.

Benizri has also won promises rom Knesset Sneaker Dan Tichon



Labor leadership rivals Ebud Barak (right) and Shlomo Ben-Ami greet each other at a polling station in Haifa yesterday.(Israel Hadari)

COMMENT

polls by Channels 1 and

2 are borne out, Barak roundly defeated his three rivals, garnering well over 50 perceot of the vote. The Channel l poll gave Barak 57% and Channel 2 gave 56%. The final results will only be known this morning. According to both polls, MK Yossi Beilin came in second with 28%

(Channel 1) or 26% (Channel 2). Newcomer MK Shlomo Ben-Ami woo an unexpectedly high 11%, according to both predictions. The big loser of the race was MK Ephraim Sneh, with only 4% (Channel 1) or 7%

may be slight changes, "because the pollsters have trouble gaugiog the situation in the Arab sector and where there are organized groups, such as in the kibbutzim." If the polisters ате right Barak will have bettered Netanyahu's achievement in the 1993 Likud primary, when he won 52%. A sweepvictory iog was the psy-chological tarЮ

get, and in Labor it is argued that

this impressive lead gave Netanyahu immunity from challenges and will do the same for Barak.

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to enforce strictly the law limiting smoking in the House. Benizri said that Knesset workers will hand out fines to people in the building who are caught smoking in non-smoking areas

spokesman Ran Rahav said: "I oot only won't comment, I refuse to comment."

The Israel Forum for the Preveotioo of Smoking, which brings together ournerous public institutions and groups, heartily endorsed the action. "We are studying the subject in depth," Benizri told The Jerusalem Post. "We haven't

decided on the exact time or way of doing it yet, but we have agreed in principle to go ahead. We may want to see which way the suit against tobacco companies in the US will go."

In the Knesset plenum, Benizri set out a list of steps to be taken in the ministry's anti-smoking campaign. Among them: Strict regulation of advertising; banning the sale of cigarettes to those under 18; banning automatic cigarette vending machines; and raisiog the price of cigarettes. The money from fines would be

used to finance information campaigns and enforcement, he said. Benizri also said he intends to push legislation and enforcemeot agaiost smokiog, and establish treatment centers fornicotine addicts.

He said that every year 400,000 workdays are lost through smoking-related illnesses, amounting to some \$40 million. Death, disease, and hospitalization cost the country more than \$3 billion a year, he said. His announcement that the no-

smoking laws would be enforced in the Knesset angered Likud MK Gideon Ezra, who demanded that smokers at least be given "a respectable place to sit in, not be sent to some corner."

MKs caught smoking in nosmoking areas would receive a NIS 180 fine, Benizri said.

Meretz MK Amnon Rubinstein raised the subject of World No-Taiseu une subject of world No-Tobacco Day as a motion to the Knesset agenda. "One no-tobacco day is a good idea, but it would be - better if every day were a no-tobacco day," he said. Specker Ticher said the Knasset Speaker Tichon said the Knesset

must serve as example in abiding by the laws it passes.



The Dubek cigarette company

lead the country one day. Three decades later, they headed

passionate socialist hair-splitting. fulfilling their aspirations, as members of a frustrated, skipped-

over "middle generation." They bequeathed their feud, however, to Yitzhak Rabin (Allon's disciple) and Shimon Peres (Dayan's). The party lines were still drawn according to the ancient patterns, with Peres and Rabin slogging it out most of the time, but pragmatically burying the hatchet when it suited them.

Though Rabin has been gone for a year and a half, the Rabin-Peres era officially ended only last night - after 23 eventful years.

The Labor camps of old may yet reappear for another round. All indications show plenty of logistical and ideological infrastructure for a sequel. Only time will tell, but what is certain is that different warriors will cross swords, although the prevalent suspicion in the party is that Peres still has

plenty of rabbits in his hat. He vowed not to retire and has secured the authority to choose Labor's ministers in a national unity government, should one be formed before September 16.

Though Peres's bag of tricks may still be full, the inteversible fact is that the party has a new chairman and that the center of power has shifted. The party establishment lost no time in switching allegiance. The fact that for years Peres was the almighty boss could not win him the title of party president last month.

Different fingers will now control the party machine, but that in itself does not guarantee that a new Labor Party will necessarily emerge. In the background, there are still plenty of ambitious egos from another "middle generation" which has not lived up to its potential - Uzi Baram, Binyamin Beo-Eliezer, David Liba'i, Ayraham Shohat and

The more things change...

By SARAH HONIG

In 1938, legendary Palmah commander Yitzhak Sadeh posed for a photo flanked by two strapping, handsome youths - Moshe Dayan and Yigal Allon. History already seemed to have singled them out as the great Sabra hopes, destined to

rival Labor Party factions and battled each other for the legacy of old Mapai. They did not start the strife. They merely continued it as the young standard-bearers for established camps dating to the misty pre-World War I days of Allon and Dayan died without

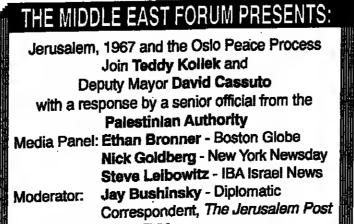
The famous 1938 photo of Yitzhak Sadeh flanked by Moshe Dayan (left) and Yigal Allon. others - as well as the defeated leadership contenders. There is even one protagonist,

Haim Ramon, who stayed out of the race this time, but has already threatened to challenge in two years - unless he is made No. 2 now. Ramon claims he could have wrested a lot of support from all of the candidates had he run yesterday. Of course, he did not, and so his boasts can never be put to the test. Yet he - and everyone else will now have to be mollified, lest old camps be resurrected. It is far too soon to assert that the party slate has been wiped clean.

There has been a generational

change, and with it the inevitable new faces, styles, and terminology. But at this early stage, it's hard to judge if the transformation goes any deeper than obvious surface and personality differences.

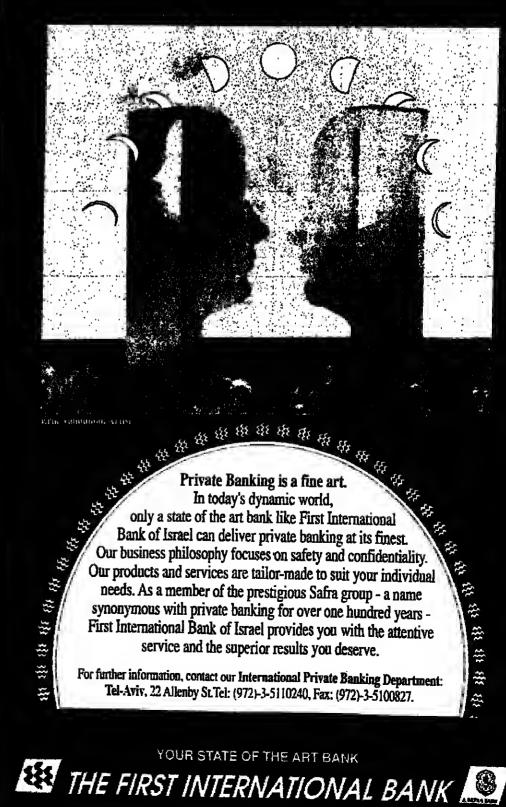
With this in mind, a former Labor minister yesterday advised the new party leader to keep in his new office "a copy of that old photograph of the young, vigorous Dayan and Allon, brimming with confi-dence and promise. It would belp keep things in perspective and be a sobering reminder that, contrary to heady post-victory expectations, there may be less new under the old Labor sun than be would wish."



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NEWS

Levy: Killings are a 'ticking bomb' By JAY BUSHINSKY

Foreign Minister David Levy yesterday told European Union envoy Miguel Moratinos that the murders of Palestinian real-estate dealers are "a ticking bomb that must be dismantled immediately," dealers are "a ticking como that must be distinued initiately, Moratinos conferred with Levy on the eve of his departure for Moratinos conferred with President Hosni Mubarak. He said Cairo, where he is to meet with President Priority to the said cano, where he is to hive an antipathet Palestinian Authority aides the EU opposes the killings, noting that Palestinian Authority aides

assured him that the PA was not involved in them. "The land issue must be dealt with through dialogue, not by vio-

Itim quoted Moratinos as saying Israeli and Palestinian representalence." he said. tives will meet next week to discuss renewal of negotiations. However, he was unsure about their level.

"If the PA uses the murder of land dealers to achieve political objectives, this means that it decided to withdraw from the peace

process." Levy said. On the other hand, Levy saw no alternative to the process and said Israel is determined to achieve peace. He criticized the international community's reaction to the twists and turns of oormal negotiations. "Whenever there are differences of opinion between the two sides. an atmosphere of automatic condemnation of Israel is generated," he

Before meeting Levy, Moratinos met chief PA negotiator Saeb said. Erekat, who also left for Cairo, where he will evidently join PA Chairman Yasser Arafat at a meeting with Mubarak.

PM: PA official wanted for murder

Netanyahu said the Ministerial

Committee on Jerusalem's decision

to deploy 400 additional police offi-

cers in eastern Jerusalem was made

residents to "see the rule of law and

Meanwhile, the government for-

mally asked the PA to refrain from

fomenting violence against people

order" in that part of the city.

Netanyahu says killers of suspected land dealers will stand trial

By JAY BUSHINSKY, URIEL HEILMAN. and LIAT COLLINS

Israel intends to put on trial Palestinians being held for involvement in the murder of suspected land dealers, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu told coalition MKs at a meeting in the Knesset yesterday.

"We are running a broad investigation and it has already led us to one of those responsible in the Palestinian Authority, and a warrant for him has been issued. If he leaves Ramallah, he will be arrested and questioned," Netanyahu said.

He said investigations show that the official, whose identity he did not disclose, was directly involved in the murders.

Earlier, after watching an IDF Central Command training exercise, Netanyahu said: "It is the PA's responsibility to cease and desist

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from these barbaric acts that cast a said. "We're talking about insuffer- Palestinian land dealers last month, of the Interim Agreement and stand grave shadow over their intentions able acts.' to make peace and their commitment to human rights.

"We have definite proof that there was planning and organization for on the basis of the desire of local the abduction of these merchants to PA-controlled territory. We cannot say the same about the actual executions, but these people were brought to Ramallah, warned in the stemest terms, and a day later are found... savagely butchered."

who sell or facilitate the sale of land Pledging to take police action to to Israelis, and to treat those who resort to politically-motivated murprevent further killings, Netanyahu also demanded that senior figures in der with the severity required by the PA stop calling for the murder law. In a letter to chief Palestinian of Palestinian land dealers. "It goes negotiator Saeb Erekat, Israeli against the grain of everything we expect the Palestinians 10 do to

negotiators expressed "increasing concern" about statements made by achieve peace between us," he said, conceding that an air of tension his colleagues that the death penalty would be imposed on those exists between Israel and the whose real estate transactions con-"We want these deeds to stop stitute treason.

because of our actions," Netanyahu Referring to the three slayings of

cabinet secretary Danny Naveh and Foreign Ministry aide Ya'acov Bardugo said: "These callous murders have not been condemned by officials on the Palestinian side.

"On the contrary, statements made by such officials, both before and after the execution of these heinous acts, have conveyed the message that such crimes are to be condoned."

Naveh and Bardugo also alluded to PA Justice Minister Freih Abu-Medein, who contended that it was treasonous to sell land to Jews and implied that those who engage in such sales deserve to die.

"It is particularly grave and serious that such statements have been made by the very individuals entrusted with the implementation and enforcement of law and justice," they said. "Such statements and acts represent a flagrant violation of both the spirit and the letter

in blatant contradiction to the principles of peace, trust, and cooperation which underlie the entire peace process.

Jon Immanuel adds:

The Palestinian Legislative Council has been discussing passing a law against the sale of land to Israelis, but there is still discussion as to whether the punishment for such an infraction should be the death sentence. Palestinian buman rights groups are unanimously opposed to the death sentence. although they admit that the sale of land to Israelis is a crime.

Hillel Kuttler adds from Washington:

At tomorrow's meeting here of international donors to the Palestinian cause, the US will urge the PA to issue an "unequivocal condemnation" of the killings, State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns told reporters.

No surprise, but plenty of joy at Barak's headquarters

Palestinians.

By HERB KEINON

A robust cheer filled the small, packed control-room in Ehud Barak's Ramat Gan headquarters last night when Israel Television projected that he had taken 56 percent of the Labor primary vote. "Whatever the case, the results will not be that much different

fact Uzi Baram told Barak in a congratulatory telephone call minutes after the results were broad-

"The party is united," said Barak supporter MK Eli Goldschmidt, who added, "When four candidates run and one receives nearly 60% of the vote, it puts an end to factions

from the projection," a matter-of- in the party. The major significance of the vote is that there are no more camps in Labor.' The visage of Barak, with his

trade-mark quarter-grin, stared down at a number of MKs including Baram, Goldschmidt, Yael Dayan and Ori Orr - who will we win."

There is not a lot of tension

here," admitted Zvika Ben-Poral, 27, one of dozens of volunteers who crammed into the poorly-ventilated headquarters to be part of the action. Ben-Porat said that any victory under 54% would "be a

quarter, said he devoted numerous Barak, but wouldn't be that disappointed if Mordechai won."

been said throughout the campaign One man last night who support-

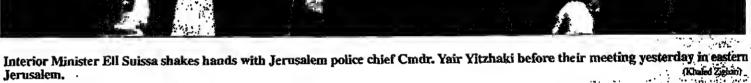
employees face a threat, but they want to continue working here. We will provide the necessary security, Arab Interior Ministry workers

and this office will remain open." in eastern Jerusalem returned to The workers had failed to show work yesterday after a four-day up for work since last week, folabsence, following alleged threats lowing reports in the Arab media

The PA threatened to put them on

Suissa. "It is true that the Arab cil, sharply criticized the workers against their own people, and no and hinted they are traitors. "They are acting in a negative fashion was quoted as saying.

longer belong to this people," he



Jerusalem. Arab Interior Ministry workers back on job

sign of weakness, dangerous for the party." on Friday, June 6, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. Ben-Porat, of Tel Aviv's Hatikva

hours in the month to Barak's campaign, but in a candid statement that should concern Barak and his handlers, Ben-Porat said that if Yitzhak Mordechai is Likud candidate in 2000, "I will vote for

This seems to illustrate what has that Barak's followers support him with their heads, but not their hearts.

Daughter: Miriam Ruzow and family Daughter: Judith Gottfried and family

showed up at the headquarters and obviously agreed with the slogan under the poster. "Only with Barak

In the run-up to the 10 o'clock projection, the question was not whether Barak would win, hut by how much.

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Family and friends



ed Barak with both his head and his heart was his brother, Avinoam Brog. at 52 three years younger than Ehud, said he was "moved"

by the whole scene. Among those here are a cousin of my mother and a couple of kibbutz friends."

The rest are people who want Ehud because they want a change. Brog said that nothing from their

youth gave any indication that his brother would rise so high on the political ladder. ") played basketball, and he

played piano. I thought maybe he would be a pianist, but not the head of a party."

BARAK **Continued from Page 1**

Beilin hoped to come away with at least a third of the vote. That he did not, say members of his entourage, may mean that MK Haim Ramon will take over the leadership of his group. Barak, it is said, will now have to court Ramon to prevent the

challenge which he warned he would mount in 1999. Moves to that effect may already be under way, said party sources. Beilin, nevertheless, declared he

was happy with the result, "if it really is as predicted. I don't need to be given positions of power by anyone. I bave power. I will not set up a camp of my own inside Labor, but I do have a united ideological group which will stick together in any situation." Beilin pledged his cooperation

to Barak, hut said "it would take time to assess just what sort of change took place in Labor." For Ben-Ami, every vote was a

pure gain, because he had come from low on the Labor Knesset list and entered the race late. He expressed satisfaction because "a new face and a new message, the only relevant message, could break through. I did so without a machine behind me and without great financial backing."

Sneh sounded disappointed, but

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

THE WEEKLY MEETING of the Eng-lish-speaking Jerusalem Rolary Club will take place today at 1:00 p.m. at the YMCA, King David Street. Oistribution of leautable Ecundetics scholarships

on their lives by the Palestinian that the PA considered Arab Authority. employees of the ministry as col-Interior Minister Eli Suissa said laborators with Israel who will be extra police will be on hand to put on trial.

guard the workers, who will be given an electronic "panic button" to contact the police in case of trial because they allegedly assist emergency.

By ELLI WOHLGELERNTER

and news agencies

in efforts to deprive east Jerusalem Arabs of residency rights by con-fiscating Israeli ID cards. This is Suissa met with Jerusalem police chief Cmdr. Yair Yitzhaki yesterday morning at the ministry's reportedly the first time the PA is branch office at 17 Damascus officially threatening government Road, and the two promised the ministry workers. The PA's newspaper. Al-Ayyam, published in Ramallah, said last employees that they would be protected, and that they would do

everything possible to arrest those week that the Arah workers at the Interior Ministry receive \$5,000 who threatened their lives. "Most of the population here for their assistance in confiscating wants this office to remain open,

my support and cooperation."

Rabin, who said that "this is the

best, the most excellent result

which Labor could have expected.

It has a new promising leadership - intelligent, moral, and fully

committed to the peace process."

Outgoing party chairman Shimon Peres phoned Barak and

congratulated him and he also put

in a call to Beilin. He refused to

reveal whom he voted for, hut his

12-year-old grandson Assaf

Walden disclosed that "the entire

Limor Livnat visited Labor head-

quarters and congratulated Barak

But in an official statement, the

Likud said that "all Labor candi-

dates had failed to absorb the vot-

ers' verdict. If they do not change

their ways, Labor's new leaders

will not recapture the govern-

Meretz leader Yossi Sarid con-

gratulated Barak and expressed

the hope that "your candidacy at the head of Labor's ticket will

help bring down this govern-

The turnout was nearly 72% of

the 166,000 eligible voters,

though it was markedly lower in

the cities. The turnout was partic-

ularly impressive in the kibbutzim

and the Arab sector, which togeth-

er account for 48% of the party's

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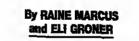
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ID cards. although unfortunately many of Hatam Abdel-Khader, a member them are afraid to speak out," said of the Palestinian legislative coun-

TA wants a said he did "not regret having run.) will call Ehud tonight and offer strong leader The most enthusiastic response to the results came from Leah



Ehud Barak's imminent victory was just about the only thing that Labor Party members in Tel Aviv agreed upon at the polls yesterday. Those who identify with Barak's ideology, along with many who don't, cast their vote for him en masse

Ronen Arnon, 65, said the former chief of staff resembles the late Yitzhak Rabin. "After 40 years, I almost left the party because of the division within I feel that with Barak as the leader, a new much-needed sense of unity will prevail." he said.

Other senior citizens, such as Eli Hemo, echoed the sentiment that Barak will handle the sensitive issue of transition within the party - from the older Rahin/Peres leadership to a younger generation with great aplomb.

Hemo said the change will be a "positive one that couldn't have come sooner. Barak is the kind of person that everyone can rally around."

"To be perfectly candid," said Ya'ara Or-Lev, 54, "I identify more with Beilin and Ben-Ami l do with Barak. than Concurrently, I acknowledge that Barak is the only candidate who can lead us to victory over Binyamin Netanyahu. My feeling The voting was conducted is that a leader needs to have broad support, which is why I cast my vote for Barak."

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NEWS

Volcker: Swiss bank audits to begin soon

By DAVID HARRIS

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Initial audits on 10 Swiss banks believed to have dormant accounts from before and during World War Il will begin in the next few days, Independent Committee of Eminent Persons chairman Paul Volcker announced yesterday. Five of the banks will be subject-

ed to pilot audits and the remainder to document-retention audits, Volcker said Meanwhile, Jewish leaders from

former Soviet states yesterday accused world Jewry and in particutar its major organizations of neglecting their communities, financially and administratively. These latest developments within the issue of Hulocaust restitution came during the council and executive meetings of the World Jewish Restitution Organization (WJRO) together with the fifth sitting of the

Volcker committee in Jerusalem

this week. The audits, which will be undertaken by accountants Arthur

Anderson, KPMG and Price Waterhouse, are the first of their kind, and the Volcker committee pointed out in a statement that no conclusions have been made in advance concerning these banks. In the near future, Volcker said, a full list of named durmani accounts of monies deposited in Swiss banks from the 1930s through the end of World War II will be published, enabling claimants in have their monies

returned. While the Swiss admit to the existence of 774 dormant accounts, a senior WJRO official said he expects the eventual total

will be far higher. The Volcker cummittee is expected to assess the results of the pilot audits in September, and then launch a full-scale investigative

audii program. The document-retention audit is aimed at ascertaining whether there is evidence of documents having been shredded.

Speaking at a special sitting nf the Knesset committee fur the Return of Jewish Property, its chairman Avraham Herschson said the issues involved are by no means restricted to the Swiss banks. Herschson called on neutral European conotries to give full compensation for money and property seized.

This is a quest for justice and moral affirmation," said World Jewish Congress President Edgar Bronfman. "We seek no charity. We seek to restore to nur people what was vinlently stolen from

Nincteen of the spiritual and secular leaders of Jewish communities in the former Soviet Union issued a statement urging a change in pol-

icy mwards them. Those in Eastern Europe are campletely excluded from all kinds of compensation," said

Russian Federation of Jewish are neglecting us." Organizations and Communities president Michael Chlenny.

meeting of the Wnrid Jewish Restitutinn Organization in Jerusalem.

This was strongly refuted by Wurld Jewish Congress general World Jewry and the top bodies secretary Israel Singer. They have

representation through the World Jewish Congress, Jewish Agency and Jnint Distributing Committee," Singer said.

(Brian Hendler)

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of the meeting when committee chairman Emanuel Zissman (Third Way) asked Hammer whether there was any truth to



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in brief

Ben-Ari's lawyer accused of tax fraud

Attorney Shmuel Kimhi, 68, of Jerusalem, who serves as legal adviser to Zvi Ben-Ari, suspected of heading an organized crime ring, was freed on bail yesterday. He allegedly evaded income tax amounting to millions of dollars. The bail, a personal bond of NIS 1 million and a third-party guarantee of NIS 500,000, was approved by Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court, after the prosecu-tion and defense reached a deal. Kimhi was barred from leaving the country for six months.

Meanwhile, the remand of Victor Gaza, of Ashkelon, who worked as a graphic artist for Ben-Ari's company and is sus-pected of forging documents for him, was extended for 24 bours hy Petah Tikva Magistrate's Court yesterday. Itim

Refresher course given for medical students

Medical students who studied in Eastern Europe a decade ago but more recently failed the Israeli medical licensing exam nearly received Health Ministry consent for an immediate license. But after the Israel Medical Association voiced its opposition, it was agreed that the ministry will finance a NIS 300,000 course at Ben-Gurion University for the 100 students. The issue was discussed yesterday in the Knesset Labor and Social Affairs Committee. Judy Siegel

Hochberg remanded until trial

Dr. Amiram Hochberg, 50, indicted for murdering his common-law wife, Shlomit Bleichman, and her mother, Ida, was remanded until the end of trial by Tel Aviv District Court yesterday. Bleichman's bloodstained car was found, but she is still missing and presumed dead.

Hochberg, a Ness Ziona scientist, was extradited from Switzerland to face charges in the case. In ruling, the judge said Hochberg is definitely a danger to the public and is also liable to obstruct justice or try to flee if released until trial.

Channel 2 franchises now responsible for ads

Channel 2's three franchises, Keshet, Reshet and Tel Ad, took responsibility as of June 1 for vetting and authorizing the commercials they broadcast. Each of the channels will have to appoint a supervisory committee to check the commercials for suitability, language and content, a task heretofore performed by the Second Television and Radio Anthority.

The franchises will now have the authority to approve commercials on all subjects except for those dealing with medicine, marketing, lotteries and commercials targeted at minors. These categories will also be transferred "at a later date," according to Helen Kaye the authority.

Technion looking for new president

A search committee chaired hy Henry Tauh has been established by the Haifa Technion to find a replacement for its president, Professor Zehev Tadmor, who yesterday announced that he would finish his second four-year term of office in September 1998, The committee includes Moshe Arens, Uzia Galil and Professor Amos Horev. Judy Siegel

Begin's grave desecrated

The tombstone on prime minister Menachem Begin's grave on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem was found descerated yester-day by vandals, who painted it black and scrawled a swastika and the word, "Nazi" on a sign near the grave.

"Take out the bones of Menachem Begin and put in the bones of our fathers." the sign said. Jerusalem police said the incident is being investigated.

Officers in electrocution

Criminal figure killed in Bnei Brak

By RAINE MARCUS

Shahar Azoulai, 21, was murdered gangland-style, when his car blew np as be got into it in Bnei Brak yesterday morning. Azoulai was under investigation for a multitude of crimes, including attempted murder and extortion. He was considered the right-hand man of Yitzbak Hadif, known as 'Hishi,' the bead of the "Pardess Katz/Ramat Amidar" gang.

Other vehicles in the area were also damaged by the blast and three passersby were injured. "I heard an enormous blast

and saw a cloud of duck, black smoke," said an eyewitness. "Amid the smoke, I saw the body."

Police arrived within minutes and sappers checked the surrounding area for other bombs. Sources said that the bomb may have been placed in a nearby moped and operated by remote control.

Now police are worried that Azulai's murder may lead to other killings. Over the past three years, several men who allegedly belonged to rival

gangs in the area have been murdered. A high school stu-dent was shot dead because his

Police said that Azulai's mur-

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was "clean and quick." Other

older brother turned state's wit- der was a professional hit, and area, which specialize in protection, extortion, drug dealing members of the gangs in the and other crimes, and who are

tioning.

mostly in their 20s, can expected to be summoned for ques-

PM hopes for conversion accord

LIAT COLLINS

The Knesset Law Committee is scheduled to begin its discussions today on preparing the continued passage of the conversion bill. Yesterday, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahn told coalition MKs, however, that he still hoped a compromise could be found in the coming days to pre-vent the need for the hill to go shead.

Netanyahn emphasized that the religious parties had been forced into demanding passage of the conversion bill because of the threats to the status quo from the non-Orthodox. "This is a problem that can be solved. We must satisfy both sides without creating shockwaves throughout the Jewish world," be said.

Netanyahn said be bad not backtracked on his promise to bring the bill, already passed in

its first reading, to further readings, but wanted to make every first to avoid this as it MKs rejected a compromise forwould create a chasm between mulated by Alex Lubotzky (Third Way) and Ravitz under Israel and Diaspora Jewry.

hack [to Orthodox Indaism.]" He called on coalition MKs to support the bill if it came up for further readings because it would be a sign that there was no other option left, and noted that it had been signed upon in the coalition agreement.

Rnby Rivlin (Likud) blasted the Reform and Conservative movements, saying be only rec-ognizes Orthodox Indaism, hut called on MKs not to bring the legislation to the vote "because it will tear apart Diaspora Jewry and Israel.

Depnty Health Minister Shlomo Benizri (Shas) said his party is interested in seeking an understanding, and noted there are three weeks left before the High Court of Justice will rule on the issue in the absence of a Knesset solution. "This is a red line for us," be said. "We hope the law will pass by the end of the month."

In a meeting between the National Religious Party faction and the prime minister, the NRP

which identity cards would mark

the bolder's religion with just the

first letter, such as "J" for Jewish,

and the type of conversion would

be recorded separately in the

The NRP MKs said this would,

in effect, separate religion from

state. Faction chairman Hanan

Porat said if the idea were imple-

mented, foreign workers would

be able to undergo a quick

Reform conversion and remain in

He also said it would mean

official recognition of Reform

conversions carried out in Israel,

to which his party objects, and

Israel with immigrant rights.

Population Registry.



US reports question aid to Israel

By HILLEL KUTTLER

WASHINGTON - Two US government reports question why Israel continues to receive \$475 million annually in defense assistance despite the Lavi project's cancellation a decade ago. The sum, approximately one-

fourth of Israel's total annual defense assistance, is appropriated to Israel for "off-shore procurement," meaning that it can be need within Israel, whereas most American defense assistance programs are spent in the US. The \$475 million is an outgrowth of the \$250 million extended by Congress in 1984 while the Lavi

fighter project was underway. The total has expanded since then, beginning with funds helping to compensate Israel following the Lavi's cancellation. According to Defense Week, which wrote of the reports in this week's issue, since 1984, Israel has received \$4.6 billion in off-shore procure-



court-martial get suspended sentences

Three officers convicted of negligence in the electrocution deaths of soldiers Eran Hudeida and Avikam Hoffman in south Lebanon in July 1994 were sentenced to 35 days' detention, suspended for two years. The two soldiers were riding in

an armored personnel carrier when Hoffman was hit by a dangling high-voltage cable and Hudeida tried to help him.

The three were acquitted of negligence in the deaths, but convicted of negligence in the line of

In deciding to issue light sentences, the judges took into

account that the instructions regarding electrocution dangers were not clear. Thus the judges concluded that the negligence of the three officers could not be seen as grave.

The three said in their defense that they were not directly responsible for the existence of the highvoltage lines in a dangerous place. The prosecution maintained that the three were negligent, given the fact that four months earlier another soldier had been electrocated when his communications antenna hit a line 400 meters from the spot where Hudeida and Hoffman died. (Itim)

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Knesset Finance Committee Chairman Avraham Ravitz (United Torah Judaism) said: "Efforts are being made to find a formula for compromise on the conversion issue. If we don't succeed, it will mean only one thing is left, and it isn't the best - legislating the Conversion Law. But we are trying another course." Ravitz added: "We bave been

anguishing for days and weeks among ourselves over how to be creative and perhaps find an alternative to the Conversion Law. If we don't find it, it will mean we have tried and they don't want it." Ravitz said despite his strong criticism of the Reform move-

later perhaps the creation of a ment, "We don't want to split non-Orthodox rahhinate in with them, but to bring them Israel.

musical circus

The enthasiastic . applause from the capacity audience at the Jerusalem. International Convention Center last night was less for the Israel Philharmonic's rather yawn-mak-

ing , rendition of. R i m, s k y Bobby McFerrin Korsakov's. Capriccio Espagnole than it was for the conductor, Bobby McFerrin. He was on the podium . in 'his . signature', small' glasses, long, braided hair and wearing asything but conventional concert attire ...

The evching got a lot more



Bang Zoom Trio. He's at his yery best as a virnloso wordless, vocalist - captivating and exciting. Overall,

(improvisations) was not varied enough. The IEB was definitely out of place in this firstrate, sincere musical circus. This was Bobby's Show, and the audience adored him, no strings attached." Michael Ajzenstadi

ment funds. A report last November by the Pentagon's inspector-general and

one in March by the Congressional Budget Office take the Defense Department to task for failing to oversee the funding program, and question the continued need to extend the funding.

The Defense Week article quoted the Pentagon report as stating that a consequence of the lack of oversight is that the Defense Department "had no assurance that the requests for offshore procurement fund disbursements represented the actual costs that Israel incurred."

The paper's correspondent interviewed Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai in Israel last. month, who defended the appropriation, saying "we need it very. much."

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Gazan food research led to bubble-gum conspiracy theory

By JON IMMANUEL

The Palestinian Authority has sent 40 kinds of soft drinks from Israel to a laboratory in Egypt to test for ingredients it says stimulates the sex drive of women and

brings teenagers to early puberty. This is just the beginning. Other products from Israel, or imported via Israel, to be examined include cookies, chocolate, beans, and sugar. The decision follows the testing last month, at the cen-

tral food laboratories of the Health and Agriculture ministries in Cairo, of a bubble gam on sale in Gaza which was found to contain progesterone, a female steroid sex hormone, according to a report by the PA Ministry of Supplies.

Dr. Nahed Nakhal, director-general of the General Technical Administration in the PA Supplies Ministry, said that suspicions were aroused by a gum with a warning on the side of the wrapper saying "only for adults." Some of the gums give the name of the manufacturer as "Penthouse International," better known as publishers of crotic magazines.

Ministry inspectors scoured supermarkets and took thousands of the products off the shelves, apparently after Hamas and concerned parents complained.

"We do not know how much progesterone is in the gum, but whether it is much or little, it is bad. Now we believe that different types of food may have been targeted," Nakhal said.

Supplies Minister Abdul Aziz Shahin, a ruthless Fatah leader who has ordered confrontations with Islamic fundamentalists in the past, gets furious at Israeli journalists who he claims scoff at these findings. "We are not talk-ing politics, but science," he said, emphasizing the last word as a mark of respect.

The presence of a female sex bormone in bubble gum is, in fact, not impossible.

Gelatin is used in gum and gelatine comes from the enemy."

bones of animals. Progesterone could be found in the bones of female animals that have been treated with this kind of fertility hormone," said Dr. Brian Coussin, direc-

He said it is also possible to add the substance on purpose to stimulate an addiction, much like caffeine. "It could stimulate sexual energy," Coussin says, "but I think its rubbish to say Israel is trying to change their society in this way."

The PA has chosen to draw radical political conclusions from its findings. Since the gum, even if it is not Israeli-made, enters Gaza via Israel, the Supplies Ministry assumes it is tampered with here.

The PA has the right to inspect all shipments to Gaza, Nakhal admits. The fact that the bubble gum got past PA inspections leads him to suspect that it was part of a shipment to Gush Katif settlements, which the PA may not inspect. "From the settlements it is easy to smuggle into Gaza's towns," he said.

The leap from what may be sound scientific findings to an Israeli conspiracy to undermine Gaza through spiked bubble gum has no doubt been heiped along by a general growth in distrust during the past year. When a similar story emerged in Egypt two years ago, the PA did not rush inspectors to the supermarkets.

But the story now comes at a time when conservative Gaza is loosening up, at least its the social elite. Nightclubs are opening up. There are belly dancer performances. Where two years ago moral pressure from Hamas could still close down a sea-front belly-dancing club, today the PA withstands the pressure. Educated young women have taken off their head scarves and donned pants suits or denim jackets.

Gazan psychiatrist Eyad Sarraj suggests that "people feel victims of Israel, pessimistic, easily falling into conspiracy theories. A new culture is now emerging which many feel is comupting, and it is easier to blame the

Olmert plan to crack down on PA education in capital

By ELLI WOHLGELERNTER and news agencies

A new front over the battle of Jerusalem was opened yesterday, as Mayor Ehud Olmert threatened to rescind Palestinian residents' autonomy in running schools in eastern Jerusalem.

"We are aware of the Palestinian attempts to chip away at our authority in east Jerusalem," Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said yesterday. "We don't want to leave a vacuum of authority there."

Director of Communications David Bar-Illan said the government's concern was bow the Arab schools in eastern Jerusalem have been following the Jordanian curriculum since 1967, with a few minor changes.

"Just as an example, they use maps on which the word Israel is not even mentioned, let alone the borders. This is the kind of attitude which considers Israel illegitimate," Bar-Illan said,

Olmert said he would form a committee to change the curriculum in the city's Arab schools, "and coordinate it with the plan used in Arab schools inside Israel." Such a move would end the autonomy Palestinian educators have had since the 1967 Six-Day War.

The peace group Ir Shalem criticized Olmert's statement, saying that Palestinian autonomy over its education system had been

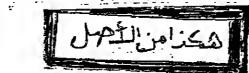
respected by all previous Israeli governments and by the Jerusalem Municipality.

"Mayor Olmert's intention to negate the principle of autonomy and force the Israeli study program upon the schools in east Jerusalem is another one-sided step designed to push the Palestinian population of Jerusalem into a corner [similar to other steps like demolition of houses, denial of residency, denial of building permits, cutting off of east Jerusalem from the West Bank, and the building of Har Homa]. This provocation increases the danger of violence and dantages the chance for coexistence in the city."

A first test of a new attitude. could come in 10 days, when Arab seniors in high schools start taking their matriculation exams. Oimert said he would make sure the exams would be managed by Jerusalem educators, "without any interference from the Palestinian Anthority." In recent years, PA inspectors supervised the exams.

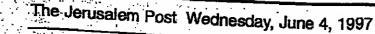
Faisal Husseini, the senior Palestinian official in Jerusalem. said Olment's proposal would only create more strife. "He is taking the people back... to a time long. long before 1967, to the annosphere of war and hatred. It is not only destroying the peace process, but also any kind of hope of hype together."

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tor of the food control service of the Health Ministry.





WORLD NEWS

Reform Party now Canada's main opposition By DAVID CRARY

OTTAWA (AP) - The governing Liberal Party yesterday assessed some embarrassing election setbacks, including losses by two cahinet ministers, though it narrowly retained a majority in a parliament more divided than ever by regional interests.



Prestou Manning

For the first time, a party play-ing on anti-Quebec sentiment the western-based Reform Party - emerged as the main opposition force in the House of Commons lestion to Israel

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left-wing New Democratic Party 21 and the Progressive Conservatives 20.

The Bloc Quebecois, though down from the 50 seats they held before, did well enough in Quebec's 75 districts to claim there was still momentum to call for another referendum on independence within the next few vears.

The Bloc's leader, Gilles Duceppe, said the overall results - including Reform's success should signal to Ouebeckers that secession was necessary.

"Reconciliation of the aspirations of Quebec and those of the rest of Canada are impossible," he said

The first hatch of returns, from the four Maritime provinces, were devastating for the Liberals. They had held 31 of the 32 seats there, but lost two-thirds of them, including the Nova Scotia seat of Health Minister David Dingwall and the New Brunswick seat of Defense Minister Doug Young.

But the Liberals rehounded, as expected, in populous Ontario, scoring a near-sweep of the 103 seats. And they also did well in Quebec, adding about 10 seats to the 19 they held before.

But the nationwide results cast doubt on the Liberals' claim to be the only truly national party in Canada.

In overall percentages, the Liherals captured 39 percent of the total vote, while the Conservatives and Reform won 19% each and the New Democrats and the Bloc Quebecois both earned 11%.

Reform's leader, Preston Manning, was denounced as an anti-Quebec higot hy several of his rivals, including Jean Charest, whose Progressive Conservative Party hattled with Reform for right-of-center votes. "The old political landscape is changing," Manning said in what

sounded like a victory speech. "I believe Canada has entered a season of transition, a period where old ideas are dying and new ideas are being born."





Medics tend to one of the victims of the accident at a California theme park yesterday.

1 dead, 30 injured on the 'Banzai Pipeline'

BY ADAM ENTOUS

SAN FRANCISCO (Reuter) -A water slide collapsed at a popular California amusement park Monday, killing one teenager and injuring at least 30 other people, many of them students on a graduation trip.

More than 10 people were seri-ously hurt - six with life-threatening injuries - when part of the 12-meter-tall winding slide collapsed at Waterworld USA, Chuck McFadden, ambulance service spokesman for American Medical Response, said.

A 17-year-old girl died at the Mount Diablo Medical Center, where she was being treated, a hospital spokeswoman said. Waterworld, owned by Premier Parks Inc., is in Concord, California, about 48 km north-

east of San Francisco. Witnesses said people on the slide, called the Banzai Pipeline,

crashed 10 the ground when it collapsed, turning the pool of water below red with blood.

"We could bear it collapse," one witness said. "We could see everyone running." The injured teens were scream-

ing and crying for help, witnesses said. "It was a very chaotic scene at first," one police officer at the park said.

(AP)

large group of high school students had gathered at the top. Some of the teenagers were told not to slide together hut ignored the warning. "Our guard couldn't control

cials said.

he said of the large number of leenagers going down the water slide.

bones in the fall and were uncon-scious when the ambulances

The park was crowded on the

warm afternoon with teenagers

and younger children, park offi-

Waterworld general manager

Steve Mayer said the water slide

apparently gave way because a

arrived, McFadden said.

Park officials said most of those injured were high school students from Napa, California, who came to the park to celehrate their graduation in two weeks. A school spokesman said 120 seniors from the school were at the park.

"It's a tragic situation that probably could have been avoided," Patricia Pava, spokeswoman for the Contra Costa County Office of Emergency Services, said.

Concord police said amhulances and helicopters took the injured to several local hospitals. Hospital officials said many of the students suffered serious neck and back injuries.

Sinn Fein locked out of Irish talks

BELFAST (Reuter) - Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA, was again locked out of talks on the future of Northern Ireland yesterday.

As leaders of the main political parties gathered to resume talks adjourned during Britain's national election campaign, a Sinn Fein delegation was met with padlocked gates.

"Is there any possibility of even opening this gate so that we can have a civilized conversation?" Sinn Fein president Gerry Adams asked officials outside a government center in

war footing

Fein around the table rather than not, but that is dependent on a cease-fire," meaningful Mowlam said.

kg bomb-scare in Belfast.

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A six week lull in IRA activity ended over the weekend in a 500

Police found the explosives, which did not go off, in a burned-out van and said the IRA. had tried to lure them into a trap. Pro-British Protestant hardliners, in the runup lo what is feared will be a turbulent period of parades through Catholic zones, were blamed Sunday for the mob killing of a police officer, who was kicked to death. "Loyalist" militias, pledged to thwart the IRA's aim of ending British rule, have shot dead two Catholic nationalists in the past year and injured others in boohy-trap bomb attacks.



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The centrist Liberals, who five weeks ago were cocky enough to call the election 18 months early, held 174 seats in the outgoing. parliament. They won 155 seats, just four more than the minimum

needed to form a majority government under Prime Minister Jean Chretien, who barely survived a close race in his own district in Quebec against a strong. separatist challenger.

Reform won 60 seats, the separatist Bloc Ouchecois 44, the

after Monday's halloting. Reform failed to make inroads in eastern Canada, hut rolled to a near-sweep in Alberta and British Columbia with a platform suggesting too many concessions had been made to per-. suade Quebeckers not to secede.

in Egypt gun battle

Four Islamists slain

CAIRO (AP) - Security forces killed four Moslem militants in the southern province of Minya in a two-hour gunbattle, the interior minister said yesterday.

The clash occurred Monday night in Samalut, 200 kilometers sonth-west of Cairo, Interior Minister Hassan Alfi said. The four killed were "dangerous terrorists" who were involved in the killing of nine Christians in an attack on a nearby Copfic church in February, Alfi said. Police confiscated documents listing names of several people the militants planned to kill.

The government uses the term "dangerous terrorists" to refer to members of Gamaa al-Islamiya, or the Islamic Group, an umbrella organization for groups fighting to oust President Hosni Mubarak's secular govemment and set up an Islamic state in Egypt.

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Belfast. "I'm afraid not," said an official hehind the gate. Mo Mowlam, Northern Ireland

Secretary in Britain's newlyelected Labor government, had earlier ruled out a seat at the talks for Sinn Fein while its Irish Republican Army ally was on a



Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams stands outside the gates of Stormont Castle, Belfast, yesterday after being locked out of peace talks.

Amnesty International report: Iran tortures dissident clerics

LONDON (Renter) - Aranesty International yesterday accused Iran of human rights violations against prominent dissident Shi'ite Moslem clerics and their followers.

In a 23-page report, the London-based human rights organization said at least three senior religious figures were reportedly beld under house arrest and their followers had been widely detained and tortured.

The violations have occurred when religious leaders have opposed government policies, such as the absolute authority of Iran's supreme spiritual leader, or criticized human rights violations, it said.

Amnesty gave details on the plight of several Shi'ite clerics. Ayatollah Hassan Tabataei-Oomi has been under house arrest for more than 13 years and Ayatollah Mohammad Sadeq Rowhani for more than 12 years, Amnesty said.

Ayatollah Yasub Din Rastgari

has been under house arrest since late 1996 after baving been arrested and detained several times.

Hundreds of Ayatollah Mohammad Shirazi's backers and relatives have been barassed and many detained and tortured, the report added.

held by Mobutu, his family, or Some of those held were tried before a special court for the people and companies associated clergy set up to investigate and with them. The assets are frozen. try crimes such as "counter revolution, corruption, immorality, toppled last month by rebels, whose leader Laurent Kabila has unlawful acts, anything which might damage the prestige of the taken over as president. FBC deputy director Daniel Zuberbuehler acknowledged clergy and acts committed by 'pseudo-clergy'," Amnesty's returning the funds to Kinshasa's report said.

The extraordinary nature of this court and its procedures are such that it violates international buman rights standards to which Iran is a state party," the organi-

zation added. Iran has repeatedly rejected as politically motivated the criticism of its human rights record by international bodies and rights groups.



Swiss banks: No Mobutu billions

GENEVA (Reuter) - Swiss banks found only \$3.4 million in assets of toppled Zairean ruler Mobutu Sese Seko, bank watcb-

dogs said yesterday. The sums reported hy banks, after a search ordered hy the Swiss government, were just a fraction of the hillions that Zaire's new rulers allege Mobutu stashed away with Swiss banks. Federal Banking

Commission, Switzerland's bank-

ing supervisor, said six banks

reported assets worth 4.8 million

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under Swiss legal procedures. Switzerland froze Mobutu's assets, including a sprawling luxury 30-room mansion in Lausanne with a market value of more than \$5.5 million, only hours after he fled his capital last month. The new rulers of the vast cen-

tral African country have called on

the US, France, Belgium, Austria, Liechtenstein and Portugal to follow suit. Zaire alleges Mobutu had 11 billion Swiss francs here.

But Zuberbuehler dismissed "these wild stories. There are no hillions. It would be nice if Mobutu had billions here, but he probably has speni the money."



Widely recognized as perhaps Israel's most important security asset, the Golan is for the moment on the back burner. But it won't be there for long. So what better time than now to join Shorashim and The Jerusalem Post Travel Club for an in-depth, English-speaking two day tour of the area. We'll visit the settlements, examine the security issues and view the terrain, the animals, the water and the beauty.

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Earthly Jerusalem

n a Herodian stone embedded in the ical if they were not so insulting. The damage of southern wall of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, there is an inscription in Hebrew that was cut by a Jewish pilgrim in the fourth century. "And when you see this your heart shall rejoice and your bones shall flourish like young grass," it reads, quoting the book of Isaiah. The Temple, hy that time, had been in ruins for centuries and the city was under foreign rulers.

No matter - the symbolic Jerusalem, it seems, has always had the power to transcend everyday reality.

This sense of division between symbol and reality is so strong that Jewish tradition speaks of two separate cities, the earthly Jerusalem, and a heavenly Jerusalem located directly above it. So too, today's Israelis seem to separate the Jerusalem that symbolizes the center of Israel and the Jewish people, and the Jerusalem of traffic jams. religious-secular strife, and Arab-Jewish conflict.

One sign of the special place Jerusalem holds for Israelis is the fact that, of all the triumphs in the Six Day War, the reunification of Jerusalem is elevated for separate recognition, through the institution of Jerusalem Day.

It has been said that the 1967 war united the land of Israel and divided the people of Israel. The reunification of Jerusalem bas been set aside as the exception to this division, the solid core upon which almost all Israelis can agree.

This week marks 30 years since the battle that reunified the city, and the celebrations following the removal of the walls and barbed wire that formed an ugly scar down its middle. The political battle, however, bas not been won, and both sides are gearing up for the final showdown.

Three thousand years ago. David declared Jerusalem to be his political capital. No other nation, except Israel, has called Jerusalem its capital either before or since. It is hard to think of a capital of any other country that could claim such a historic pedigree. Yet the nations of the world, even before Jerusalem's reunification, have doggedly attempted to keep the city's political status in limbo.

Even the United States, Israel's closest ally, has never recognized Jerusalem to be Israel's capital, despite numerous congressional efforts to change official policy. Not only is the US Embassy located in Tel Aviv, that noted government center, but official American maps show Israel as baving no capital. American passports, inspired perhaps by Jerusalem's ethereal quality, state the birthplace of an American born there as simply "Jerusalem." and list no country. These efforts to boycott reality would be com-

Jerusalem's diplomatic isolation is exacerbated by the fact that to both sides, Jerusalem symbolizes Israel as a whole.

Though the population of Jerusalem is about one-third Arab, and Jerusalem is one of Islam's holy places, the primary explanation for the Palestinian insistence on dividing Jerusalem is to weaken Israel's political and spiritual beart. To some, the claim that Jerusalem cannot be

shared may seem unreasonable.

In fact, Jerusalem already is shared. From the first days after it came under Israel's control, the mosques on the Temple Mount were handed over to Moslem religious authorities - the Wakf. Jerusalem's Arabs were allowed to vote in the elections held by the Palestinian Authority, and there is full recognition that civil ties between them and any future Palestinian entity will be substantial.

What is more, the Israeli claim that the city cannot be divided can seem disingenuous, given what has already happened on the ground. Along much of the line where the barbed wire once cut a wide swath through the city, a wide bighway is performing a similar function. Arab and Jewisb neighborhoods do not mix. Socially and culturally, Jerusalem feels divided.

It is a far cry, bowever, between a social divide and an actual border separating people. Social borders may be as bard to breach as pbysical ones, but at least that opportunity remains open. Once a border is created, the bope for a truly united city is gone.

Any solution will depend on both sides' willingness to compromise, though not necessarily on an equal basis. The danger is that the diplomatic climate favoring the Palestinian position on Jerusalem will mislead Yasser Arafat into thinking that he does not bave to compromise. The hope is that Jerusalem's split personality will come to the rescue.

Though Israel cannot countenance dividing the physical city, perhaps Jerusalem the symbol can be, if not divided, copied. There are a number of Arab neighborhoods that Palestinians consider part of Al-Kuds that are outside of the Israeli-drawn Jerusalem municipal boundary, The natural solution, many reason, is for these parts of Al-Kuds, outside of the municipal boundaries, to be dubbed Palestinian Jerusalem, while Israel retains sovereignty over today's Jerusalem.



End this oppression

n the past 18 months, Israeli NAOMI CHAZAN efforts to stake claim to all of

Jerusalem have taken on a

distinctly anti-democratic, anti-

humanitarian cast. By refusing

to renew the identity cards of

Palestinian Jerusalemites, Israeli

authorities are forcing thousands

to leave their homes, and often

their families, on 15 days'

The authorities are denying

these residents not only the social

benefits associated with residency

in Jerusalem, but also their funda

mental right to live in the city of

Many Palestinians who have

carefully observed the already

stringent standing regulations for

years, and whose families have

lived in the same place for gener-

ations, are now left with nowhere

to go. Many more live in danger

of expulsion from the city. Permits

are being revoked left and right,

with no regard for either the poli-

cy that existed for nearly 30 years

or the real circumstances of peo-

The Interior Ministry has tried

to conceal the very existence of

this new policy, as well as its

effects. Official numbers are sig-

nificantly underreported. They

also fail to include family mem-

bers listed on rejected permits, who are forced to leave as well.

Before 1996, permits were

revoked if a permanent resident

notice.

their birth.

ples' lives.

between official Israeli definitions of the "domestic" and "foreign" realms, both politically and geographically, throw a hitter twist of irony into the situation.

Israelis declare with pride, "I have no other land." Yet a Palestinian bom and raised in East Jerusalem - even though he or she also has no other bomeland is treated as a foreigner, just

Israel has no right to play games with the lives of Palestinian Jerusalemites

like other "permanent residents" who electively leave their native country to establish residency here.

No one questions Jewish Jerusalemites about how long they have been out of the country, or whether they spend most of their time in the city.

The second grave inconsistency lies in Israel's delineation of boundaries, and the meaning of those boundaries.

An Israeli Jew who moves to a West Bank settlement is an Israeli citizen entitled to all benefits of

Upon her return, she was refused a replacement identity card and told to move to the West Bank and submit a request for family unification.

"I have health insurance through the Histadrut and receive an allotment from the National Insurance Institute," she says. "I suffer from diabetes and have kidney problems. When I go to a clinic or bospital they want to see my identity card. Because I have none, I can't receive treatment."

Another woman, aged 35, was born in Ein Nakuba, an Arab village within the Green Line near Jerusalem, and moved to Shuafat within the city with her parents in 1975. In 1994, she moved back to Ein Nakuba with ber children, also Jerusalem residents. The following year her husband, a Jordanian citizen, received permission to join them.

In April this year, she approached the Interior Ministry to renew her husband's residency permit. Not only did they refuse, they confiscated her identity card as well. They told her that she and her family must leave Jerusalem on the grounds that their center of life was outside the city. Yet she had never moved away.

ISRAEL has no right to play games with Palestinian lives in this manner. Particularly in light of our history and essential values, we cannot justify uprooting people from their homes. We cannot maintain such a policy yet continue to call ourselves a

ELLIOTT A. GREEN

Truth

talks

There can be no justice or peace for Jerusalem without historical truth.

Jews have constituted most of the city's population since 1870 indeed, Karl Marx asserted a Jewish majority as early as 1854. In either case, Jews formed the largest religious group in the city long before becoming a clear majority. Moslems roughly equalled Christians in number, although, as Marx pointed out, They are the masters in every respect

This appears to be the heart of the problem today. Certain Arab-Moslems in "Palestinian" guise want to resume Moslem rule. in Jerusalem, even though they are a minority. To this end they are prepared to lie (claiming, for instance, that the Western Wall Tunnel runs under the Temple Mount).

Thousands of Jews lived in what Arab spokesmen now call. "traditionally Arab East Jerusalem" until Israel's indepen-dence in 1948. Actually, "East Jerusalem" only existed for 19 years, from 1948-1967, when Jordan saw to it that the part of the Holy City under their control stayed Judenrein, including the Western Wall

Of course, Jerusalem cannot be viewed from a purely prosaic statistical vantage point, or merely in the modern context. The city's meaning for mankind goes back 3,000 years to King David, who made it Israel's capital. Its influence radiated worldwide on religion, civilization, culture and history.

As part of Israel and Judea, it was home to kings, priests and prophets, warriors, poets and the sages of the Sanhedrin.

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The Roman writer Pliny the Elder described Jerusalem in Second Temple times as, "the most illustrious city of the East by far, not merely of Judea." Jerusalem particularly inflnenced both Christianity and Islam, Jesus was a Jew preaching to Jews in Jerusalem. Scriptures revered by Christians refer to the sanctity of Jerusalem in a Jewishcontext.

This is less well known for Islam; yet, Mohammed originally

Jerusalem is essentially Jewish

ordained prayer in the direction of Jerusalem. He subsequently changed it to Mecca, separating his new faith from Judaism. After the Arab-Moslem con

Such a solution might seem to require a greater compromise on the Palestinians part than by Israel, but it is the nature of the game that both sides need to recognize some of the other side's red lines. Redividing Jerusalem is for Israel such a line.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JONATHAN POLLARD

Sir. - In your editorial of May 9, "Leaking with malice," your naming my husband, Jonathan Pollard, as the "worst spy in the history of Israeli-American relations" is offensive and not consistent with the truth.

Jonathan's case may very well be the most hyperbolized spy case in Israeli-American relations, And Jonathan certainly has been the most maligned and misrepresented spy in Israeli-American relations. Growing numbers of prominent American legislators concur that Jonathan is the most overpunished spy in Israeli-American relations. But it simply is not honest to call him the worst spy.

If Jonathan's case placed the worst strain on Israeli-American relations, it is not so much because of what Jonathan did, as because his operation exposed the undeclared intelli-

Sir, - In his article on the dilemma facing Reform and Conservative Jews in Israel ("The ReCon reckoning," May 14), Sam Orbaum suggests that there are two ways to give their congregations a significantly more prominent profile in the Israeli scene: (a) that Reform and Conservative Jews in North America send huge amounts of money to support their congregations in Israel, or (b) that these same individuals make aliya on a mass basis.

There is a (c) alternative. The large majority of Israeli Jews who consider themselves "traditional" in religious observance, but who are not haredim nor backers of religious political parties, can become more actively involved in promoting the ReCon position in Israel. They could do this in a number of ways: (1) by massively demonstrating in support of Jewish religious pluralism, e.g. against the changes to the conversion law, in favor of the Women at the Wall, for opening up religious councils to a democratic process: (2) by applying political pressure to reduce the budgets to

gence embargo that the Americans had imposed on their Israeli ally - an embargo that the Israeli political echelon simply did not have the moral courage to confront openly. If the Americans are still smarting, it is primarily because Israel continues to deny its role in the affair.

High-ranking Israeli military and government officials ahandoned Jonathan 13 years ago, and to this day continue to deny their involvement and their responsibility. We hope that the petition that Jonathan recently filed with the Israeli High Court of Justice will finally strip away the cloak of "implausible deniahility" with which they have tried to shield themselves all these years, from their responsibility for securing Jonathan's release.

ESTHER POLLARD

Toronto.

RELIGIOUS PLURALISM

haredi schools and communities and equalize the funding to all school and community programs now subsidized by religious councils and various government departments. Israelis who are often described as secular are usually not. But they are frozen out of their Jewish heritage by the political power of the religious parties. They could take back the synagogues, customs, texts and holi-

days of Judaism from the extremists supporting Reform and Conservative movements in Israel. DAVID M. MAGDER

Toronto.

Haifa.

CANDID ARTICLE

Sir. - Cheers to A.M. Rosenthal of the New York Times. His article of May 13 ("Arafat's execution policy") is commendably candid and forthright. We are grateful for his insight.

ROSE SHULMAN DOREEN FEINGOLD

HEALTH RISKS Sir. - Your correspondent, Judy Siegel, has performed a valuable

service to Jerusalem Post readers in her exposure of the Australian study on the health risks connected with the use of cellular phones. If the health of the general public may be at risk, how much more vulnerable is the pregnant woman. Is anybody addressing research to this section of the population?

I hope that it does not go the way of the research on computer terminals which to this day has been inconclusive. About 10 years ago, clusters of pregnancy losses and hirth defects were linked to the use of computer terminals. The British Department of Employment took it seriously enough to provide pregnant employees with the right to change their work-style without being fired. They also produced a booklet suggesting more humanfriendly use of the computer, in terms of both eyesight and posture. Correspondence sent to Israel's Ministry of Labor and Ministry of Health by our organization were unanswered. And the women's organization I approached for help for lobbying replied that this would only add fuel to the problems of

inequality in the workplace. WENDY BLUMFIELD, Honorary President, Israel Childbirth Education Center

NATIONAL HERO

Haifa.

Sir. - The Swiss Federal Government is now in the position of an employee who has been caught with his band in the company till - caught by an alert office boy. Instead of praising Christoph Meili, it managed to get him sacked. Despite Swiss efforts to make amends, their collective conscience will never be clear until the Federal Government declares the gentleman who discovered the documentary evidence of its malfeasance to be a national hero.

Z. RIGBI Azur

lived in a foreign country for more than seven years, or became a permanent resident or citizen of another country. That itself was problematic. But merely moving out of Jerusalem did not endanger the right to residency.

Now, however, the Supreme Court holds that this right expires automatically if one's "center of life" - cryptically defined by Israeli authorities - has moved outside of Israel. Identity cards will be renewed only if a resident proves - through scrupulous documentation checks, including years' worth of utility and arnona (municipal property tax) hills, children's school records, and apartment leases - that his or her "center of life" is and bas remained in Jerusalem for at least the past seven years.

Nearly everyone who comes in contact with the ministry must supply such proof, so rigorous that even those who have never left Jerusalem find it hard to meet these standards.

The glaring inconsistencies

after the Six Day War.

the apologies were to the rest of

the world. Three decades later, it

seems some of us are apologizing

Labor MK Yael Dayan opposes

the hill submitted by the National

Religious Party's Hanan Porat to

make Jerusalem Day, celebrated

today and marking the city's

reunification in 1967, a national

holiday. (And a minor holiday at

Under the proposed hill,

Jerusalem Day would be added to

the list of days, including May

Day and Lag Ba'omer, that work-

ers may choose as a recognized

I called Dayan yesterday to get a

Nobody doubts that Jerusalem

is our capital, united forever," she

began. "There is no need to rein-

I wish that were true. It would

make our negotiations with the

But Yasser Arafat has guite dif-

ferent plans for "Al- Kuds," and

he isn't shy about them. He wants exclusive control. And he hasn't

shown any willingness to compro-

grasp of her position.

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citizenship. Yet a registered Jerusalem resident who marries a resident of Ramallah, or even of a village just outside Jerusalem's borders, and moves to join his or her spouse, is treated as though be or she has moved abroad.

B TSELEM released a report last month testifying to the hurcau-cratic ordeals and individual suffering this policy is causing many Palestinian residents.

One woman, aged 63, was born in Bethlehem, married a resident of Ein Karem who moved to East Jerusalem after 1948, and raised her family of seven children in Jerusalem. Between 1989 and 1994, she spent four-and-a-half years in the US, first visiting her children, later undergoing heart surgery.

When she returned, she and her husband applied to renew their identity cards. His was replaced on the spot. But the clerk cut up her card and told her to return in two weeks.

expire with hureaucratic whim, that protects rather than tramples upon fundamental human rights. Such a formulation, honoring equality and Jerusalem residents'

Human Rights.

must be reinstated.

basic rights, must acknowledge the inherent injustice in Israel's quiet hut insidious efforts to depopulate East Jerusalem.

of Palestinian residency in

Jerusalem, one that does not

The writer, a Meretz MK. is deputy speaker of the Knesset.

It would be instructive if Dayan and her colleagues made it clear to Arafat that his demands are a nonstarter. It could be their most important contribution to peace.

Some Jews can't understand that it's okay to win

But they have chosen silence. And in this game, silence is acquiescence

"For 20 percent of the population of the city it is a day of mourning," Dayan went on. But the same argument might be made regarding Independence Day itself.

Israel has its minorities, and it sbould respect them. But that doesn't mean we can't celebrate our national holidays.

For two millennia we bave prayed three times a day to return to Jerusalem - vet now that we have liberated the city, Dayan complains that "there has

been overkill with Jerusalem; it seems we commemorate it every other day. I don't think you should make a celebration out of war."

So I guess we can drop Hanukka. And, with few excep-tions, nations' independence days are linked to wars of independence.

"Besides," explained Dayan, "even before 1967 Jerusalem was already our capital. But since then we have had only trouble."

I felt like telling her that we've been having trouble ever since Abraham crossed into Canaan back in biblical times. And divided Jerusalem was no picnic. either.

Yael Dayan; the quintessential sabra, sounds for the world like a stereotypical Diaspora Jew, ever fearful of angering the gentiles. After half a century of indepen-

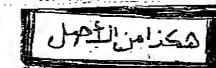
dence and three decades since Jerusalem's reunifications, Israel's Left has yet to come to grips with the idea that it's okay for Jews to win.

The writer is director of IMRA -(Independent Media Review & Analysis.

Christians support them.

Perhaps they think like Jerome, the Church Father, who wrote about the lews of his time who. were not allowed to reside m Jerusalem and came to lament its ruins: "The children of this wretched nation ... are not worthy of compassion."-

The writer is a political scientist.



AARON LERNER mise.

'So sorry for celebrating' When Ephraim Kishon wrote So Sorry We Won

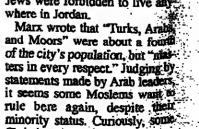
nuest. Moslems absorbed many Jewisb traditions relating to Jerusalem and the Temple (mendemocracy; democracies do not tioned in the Koran 17.7). The flagrantly violate international usual Arab names for the city today, al-Kuds and Bayt al-Makdis, derive from Jewish tradilaws like the Geneva Convention and the Universal Declaration of tion. They are adaptations of the This oppressive policy must Hebrew names Hakodesh and stop. The rights of those who have been expelled from their homes Beit Hamikdash, referring to holiness, the Temple, and Jerusalem. Jerusalem is thus essentially and separated from their families Integrity and justice demand that we develop a new definition

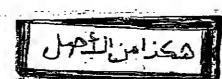
Jewish, both in its meaning for world history and on the mustdane, numerical plane. Even "East Jerusalem" now has a Jewish majority.

BUT the fact of Jewish residence throughout the city before 1948 has been obscured since then. Before 1914, Jews lived in various quarters of the Old City, and outside the walls, both "east" and "west." Jewish homes clustered around Simon's Tomb north of Orient House, and the American Colony Hotel. The Eshel. Abraham neighborhood faced Damascus Gate. Other Jews lived in Silwan and on the Mount of Olives.

However, under Britisb rule Arab pogroms drove Jews out of Eshel Abraham (1929), Silwan (1929, 1938), and the Old City quarters other than the Jewish. Quarter (1920, 1929, 1936-38) Arahs performed "ethnic cleans ing" with British acquiescence, in 1938 driving Jews out of Bart Sham'a (today Cinematheque) and the Yosef quarter (1929).

Whereas the latter two areas came under Israeli control 1948, Arabs drove all Jews out Arab-occupied areas (the Jewist Quarter, Neveh Ya'acov, the neighborhood of Simon's Tombe Jews were forbidden to live any where in Jordan.





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ne of the most popular people attending the Hebrew University's Arnon also announced the launch of a five-year fund-raising campaign with a target of \$800 Board of Governors meeting is million. "It's not impossible," he Kyoji Tsujita, chairman of the said. It won't all come from Israel. 1,600-member Japanese Friends of the Hebrew University. This is Philanthropist Sol Liebgott who hosted the reception observed that his second time here. Last year, he was glad to see that Jerusalemites, like their Tel he came as an observer. Now, he's here both as an associate Avivian counterparts, start their member of the board and to parparties at midnight. Among those ticipate in the dedication of the present were retired British judge Father Takeji Otsuki Chair-in-Hazel Rose, lawyer Dan Avi-Bible Studies. Some people are a Yitzhak and his wife Naomi, little taken aback to discover that . attorney Oded Eliashar, who Tsujita is a Protestant rather than chairs the Jerusalem Friends of the a practitioner of one of the Hebrew University, Canadian philanthropist Neri Bloomfield, ancient faiths of Japan, hut they are even more amazed to hear his former amhassador to the US fluent Hebrew. But his skill with Zalman Shoval, real-estate magthe language is not really so surnate Edward Reichman, Avner

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GRAPEVINE

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

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Elie and Batya Borowski, founders of the Bible Lands Museum, with Elyakim and Miriam Rubinstein. (Isaac Harari)

prising considering that he him-Barnea, chairman of the universiself is a linguistics graduate of ty's capital campaign, and scores of other social circuit luminaries. the Hehrew University and the father of two-sahra children who continue to converse in Hebrew THE legal fraternity was also well

in Osaka. INSTITUTIONAL and organizational- responsibilities weigh heavily on Raya Jagiom. As president of the Israel Friends of Tel Aviv University, she last month spent a week attending meetings of the TAU Board of Governors. This week, in her capacity as vice chairman of the

Hebrew University Board of ing that he was looking forward to Governors; she's attending meeteventually resuming that responsibility. Rosenne, a respected ings in Jerusalem, Jaglom, who is also a member. expert in international law, was of the Board of Governors of the Ruhinstein's boss when the two were in Washington. "I had as subordinates Eli Rubinstein and Israel Museum, is dashing back-Mount Scopus and Givat Ram because should boards in second Bibi Netanyahu,," he quipped, "and you see, they made it." The museum's anniversary also coin-

this week. And as if that wasn't enough, an onexpected meeting cides with the birthdays of of the executive of the World founder Elie Borowski and for-Jewish Congress; was also called this week. Jagiom, who is also a veteran member of that body, will harely be able to come op for air before being plunged into the Jewish Agency Assembly in mid-June. And that happens to com-cide with a special award she is getting from B'nai B'rith. She's also a member of the planning committee for the 50th anniversary celebrations of the state and she's heavily involved with the Tel Aviv Museum and the Friends of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. No wonder they say that a woman's work is never done.

For most people, the battle for Jerusalem conjures up 30-year-old images of heroic soldiers storming the gates of the Old City, beating back Jordanian soldiers and liberating the Western Wall.

But for Eliyahu Tal, the battle for Jerusalem is being fought today, though it is now heing fought with words, not guns. It's a war he wakes up to and goes out 10

fight every working day. "A war is fought on four fronts: air, land, sea and CNN," says Tal. "And on this [latter] front, there is no money, there is no awareness and there is no consistency." Seven years ago, Tal founded

the International Forum for a United Jerusalem, a worldwide organization that rallies support for Israel's claim to sovereignty over a united Jerusalem. He started the organization after many years of frustrating attempts to get the government to improve its information campaigns in the face of Arab anti-Israel propaganda.

What began in February 1990 with four people - the late prime minister Menachem Begin, former foreign minister Ahba Eban, former Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek and Anti-Defamation League director Ahraham Foxman - now has a select membership of 600 people of influence, including members of Congress and deci-sion makers from all over the world. The organization runs ad campaigns to expose misconceptions about Jerusalem and refute disinformation; the focus is to present the case for Israel's rights to Jerusalem based on history and religious traditions. The organization also aims to build relations with the Christian world and to rally Christian support for a united Jerusalem.

In 1994, Tal published a book called Whose Jerusalem?, a hlend of factual information and amusing, generally unknown episodes in Jerusalem's history.

On Sunday, in honor of the 30th anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification the forum presented its first Guardian of Jerusalem award to 13 people from eight countries, including Kollek, Chief Rabhi Yisrael Meir Lau, Koor CEO Benjamin Gaon, WIZO world president Michal Moda'i, film producer Arthur Cohn, and US Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan. Tal is perfectly suited to the task

of getting out the message; he doesn't-want to say how old he is, hut says he has been in the advertising and public relations husiness for 60 years.

"I'm doing a proper professional

Advertising executive Eliyahu Tal has been fighting a different sort of battle for Jerusalem, Elli Wohlgelernter reports

Judaism.

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Saudi Arahia, is the shrine, but the

capital city is in Riyadh. In

Ankara. So there is no rule that the

One of his pet peeves is the use of the Dome of the Rock to sym-

bolize Jcrusalem on everything

from tourism publications to Rosh

Hashana greeting cards. "It's true it's the most beautiful

huilding in Jerusalem, one of the

most beautiful in the world - hut

must we glorify it? I saw once that

in every government office, in the

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view of Jerusalem and the Dome

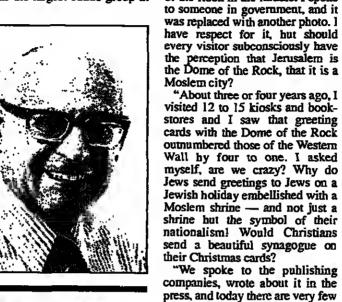
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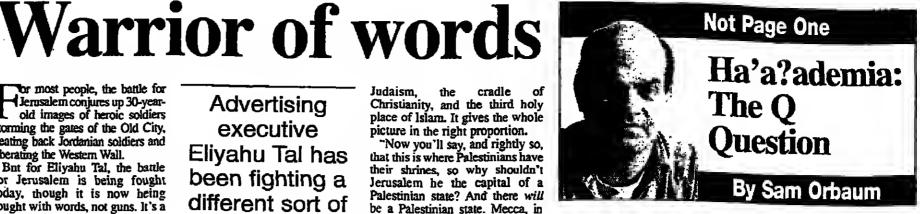
Jerusalem is a Jewish city or an Arah city.

"Everyone thinks it was an Arah city and then later on Jews came and settled here. Not true. Since 1818, we have proof from travelers, British and German and French, that the Jewish community was the largest ethnic group in



"Why do Jews send greetings to Jews on a **Jewish holiday** embellished with a Moslem shrine?"

the city. Baedeker already spoke about a total majority of Jews. Il was a Jewish city - there was no husiness in Jerusalem on Saturday because the Jewish shops were closed, so the Christians and Moslem's also closed their shops. Another misconception, he says, often used in the media is referring to Jerusalem as "the holy city to the three faiths. It's a very danger-



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a'akademia. Ha'academia. Ha'aqademia. Or maybe Ha'aqqademiyyah. It's a fundamenial question,

Turkey, all the great mosques are in Istanbul, and the capital is in because Ha'ak- uh, the Academy of the Hebrew Language decides such things as how many zeds in "Havazzelet," and that Petah Tikvans live in Petah Tiqwa, with a dash under the H. This august body of linguists,

wordsmiths, grammarians, philologists and logogogues is currently embroiled in epic orthoepic logomachy. My apologies: what I'm saying here, rather sesquipedalianistically, is that there's a war of words over the letter of the law. Specifically?

"The W," explained Gabriel Birnbaum, academic secretary of the Academy. "And, of course, the Q." It could ultimately spell rewolution in the country's English-language signage.

There have been thoughts late-"About three or four years ago, I ly of changing. Language does change, but the principles of transcription shouldn't. What we use aspects that are not so good." myself, are we crazy? Why do

is a logical and simple way of transcription, but there are certain Birnhaum, whose calling card states his residence as "Bene

Even in Hebrew, people don't say 'Natbag.' Why couldn't they just put up a sign that

which date from 1957, are being carefully - very carefully - reexamined. "There's some thought of replacing the W with a V." Gaspl there are so many English speakers in the world, a spelling such as Newe Zedek might be misread as New Zedek.

The results, he says, are publicrelations disasters like Har Homa and the opening of the Western Wall tunnel exit, "a case so badly handled. The day after it hap-pened, I asked all the offices - the Government Press Office, the has a 'w,' as did the dead language Foreign Ministry - to give me a map showing the tunnel is 450 yards from AI-Aksa, that we can't

"That's a good point. You see many examples: in the same street, two signs differently spelled. So Ruhinstein told us that be would see to it that this would enter the school curriculum, that people would learn the rules of transcription.

"But change will not be based on a politician's opinion, or a couple of letters to the editor." I threw Birnbaum a nasty curve; the notorious "NATBAG" signs that, for a while graced, or disgraced, Highway I. (NATBAG is the tran-scribed Hehrew acronym for "Ben-Gurion Airport.") Did that originate from the Academy?

"Nol It's quite ridiculous. Even in Hehrew, people don't say 'Nathag.' Why couldn't they jus put up a sign that said "Airport"? Quite ridiculous. They usually consult us, the Public Works and the Highway Authority, hut they didn't for that onc." Jerusalem has a wealth of peculiar signs, but you shouldn't necessarily hlame Bimbaum's colleagues. Like "Avraham Lincoln Street" - a case of Judaizing rather than Hebraicizing. "Very, very strange, that one. Unfortunately, they don't consult us. It's not based on our rules. "We have worked closely with the Jerusalem Municipality, hut then they just ignore us. They're particularly bad. Ra'anana, on the other hand, ahides by our guidelines. Fact is, by law, official institutions are obliged to follow our rules." Bimbaum was genuinely startled to hear that Givat Tsarfatit (French Hill) is named for an individual, General French, and therefore should not be translated. "I never knew that! Certainly, then, it should be 'Givat French.' But this is a question for the municipality. not for the Academy." Bimbaum had to suspect he'd be queried on the most surprising eyebrow-rais-er of them all: the Hebrew name of the Academy itself.



we said that according to our transcription, we have to spell it 'Yizhaq Rahhin' - though he himself used to spell it differently. Anyway, that accelerated the debate." And how it did. But the Academy, which took a lot of heat on this because of media reports, did not recommend such a spelling, it only stipulated that their rules would render it as such.

"We always say, if it's a person's name, and you know the way he spelled it, spell it that way. For instance, Henrictta Szold, She had the right to spell her name that way, so we respect that."

Oh yeah? What about "Bialio Street," a sign near Ramle? "Our way of spelling it should be with a Q. because it's spelled with a koof. But I presume Bialik spelled it with a K. So we would recommend it be spelled with a K."

One reason for reluctance to change was expostulated by Prof Ze'ev Ben-Haim, former president of the Academy. "He was not against change in principle, hut, he said, you see so many places where people violate these rules; are you sure that if you make new rules

Beraq," reveals that the rules, they won't violate those rules too?

There are opinions that because

"But you know, even in Hebrew, historically, there was a difference between a vav and a veit: the vav used to be pronounced 'w,' we presume in Bihle times. Arabic still

Akkadian. There was a distinction. "That way of pronouncing the vay as 'w' has all hut disappeared dig under [the mosque] like [the - though actually, the Yemenites,

said "Airport"?

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ISRAELI Friends of the Hehrew University paid NIS 350 a ticket to attend the premiere of Oscar Wilde's An Ideal Husband, which was ocarly three times the box-office rate. The surplus, explained Friends president Yigal Arnon at a post-theater, midnight cocktail reception, is to

mer Jerusalem mayor leddy Kollek, who were both in fine form along with fellow octogenarians former prime minister Yitzhak Shamir and former Supreme Court justices Haim Cohn and Moshe Landau.

represented at the fifth anniver-

sary dinner of the Bible Lands

Museum at which the guest of

honor was Attorney-General

Elyakim Rubinstein. It was

almost like a game of musical

chairs with Israel's former ambas-

sador to the US, Meir Rosenne,

taking over as dinner chairman

from present incumbent Eliahu

Ben-Elissar, who sent a fax stat-

AMIT Womeo recently honored veteran voluoteer Sylvia Finer, who has been with the organization for 50 years, serving in execntive positions in both the US and Israel, and Robin Kahn, recently appointed chairperson of the Amit Israel Executive only four years after immigrating to Israel.

TWO former cligibles who've been struck off the singles list are newlyweds Matthew Broderick and actress Sarah Jessica Parker. The pair, who co-started in the Broadway production How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, have joined the fast-growing number of celebrities who are getting married in secret.

campaign because I m an advertising man, and I know the essence of a campaign: You have to have a few salient facts and hammer them in," he says. He has encyclopedic knowledge

about Jerusalem, reeling off facts. figures and dates in history so fast he sounds like a teenager who's been op all night cramming for an exam. Turn on the tape recorder and Tal lets fly with everything he's got - and he's got plenty. Take the question of whether

ous equation." Tal says that places have a yardstick - the tradition of pilgrimage to a place - with which to measure their degree of sanctity. "There is no Moslem pilgrimage to Jerusalem," he notes. "Our campaign is based on one sentence: Jerusalem is the heart of

Palestinians was not available.

Jewish greeting cards with the Dome of the Rock."

Tal decries the lack of govern-

ment effort in the information war.

money on information on

Jerusalem than the Sano company

spends advertising cleaning mate-

rials in Israel. I can swear on it."

"The government spends less

When you do such an act you should think ahead and consider the consequences. At least prepare a map! We bother about ammunition and so on, hut we don't have the ammunition to fight the war in rules rashly.

The Parenting column will re-appear in two weeks.

when they pray or read the Torah, they still say 'w', and some of the Iraqi Jews as well. "But now, according to a new suggestion, we should transcribe

the vav as V. It's in discussion. The Grammar Committee sat for a few sessions on this." The Academy, you understand, does not change "Some people say the Academy

should not change its decisions every now and then; of course, the others say, every 40 years is not every now and then." To effect changes so monumental as "Havazzelet" to "Havatzelet" can take years. (The debate has, in fact, been in process since about 1993.) A committee of six presents its recommendations to the 45

people of the Academy plenum, which meets about every two months and has the last say. Once, they were this close to dramatic agreement on change, but it

was overturned hy an objection. There are two solid streams of thought here: retain the established style, based on European languages, and get hip, recogniz-

ing the dominance of English. "There are three main things some people think should be changed: the sound 'v' should be V and not W; that there shouldn't be any distinction between koof and kaf; and the 'ts': there's a long history of spelling the tsadi with a Z - in different translations of the Bible, in English and German and other languages. But again, now there are people who say that to spell a tsadi with TS or TZ would be much clearer.

"Even the former education minister, Amnon Rohinstein, got involved. He urged us to do something about it, especially after that thing with Yitzhak Rabin became a controversy.

The Rabin - or more correctly the Rahhin controversy.

"After the murder, the Tel Aviv Municipality wanted to put up a new sign renaming Kikar Malchei

Ironic that the institution whose prime task is to Hehraicize is Greekly yclept.

It is a question asked often enough that the Academy printed up a page-long explanation titled, in Hebrew, "Why 'Aqademia'?" Its very name reflects the Academy's openness and intellectual honesty. "We don't try to eradicate international words; there's no amhition here to totally Hehraicize. Words like radio, telephone, tea, coffee - and academy - are perfectly acceptable as they are. Even Eliezer Ben-Yehuda

"We're much less fanatical than, for example, the language academy in France." But that's agademic, regarding modern Hebrev.

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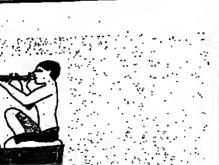
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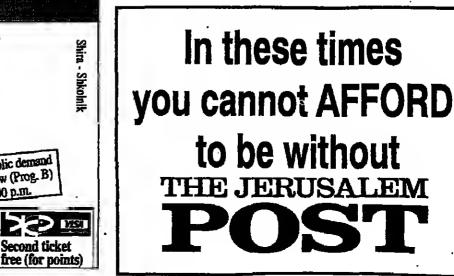
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BUSINESS

in brief

Hewlett-Packard to expand Israel outfit

Hewlett-Packard yesterday announced plans to expand its research center here, including the upgrading of the status of its research operation at the Technion. As part of its improved status, HP's Israel Science Center - established three years ago will be renamed HP Labs Israel, with a larger research staff working in larger quarters.

Technion President Zehev Tadmor met yesterday with Dr. Joel Bimbaum, HP senior vice president for research and development and director of HP Labs, to discuss this development. Bimbaum said the decision was "a permanent and strategic part of HP's global research effort."

HP Labs Israel joins the mother company's other major research centers in Bristol (England), Tokyo and Palo Alto (California), which together employ 1,400 researchers and sup-port staff. Hewlett-Packard is a leading global provider of computing, Internet and Intranet solutions, services, communications products and measurement solutions, with 113,000 employees and annual revenue of \$38.4 billion. Judy Sieg Judy Siegel

Lebanon's leading airliners in cartel deal

Lebanon's two ailing passenger and cargo airlines yesterday agreed to avoid competition and improve operations to cope with financial and marketing difficulties caused by the 1975-90 civil war. Middle East Airlines and the cargo carrier. Trans Mediterranean Airways, signed a pact to increase cooperation in trade, maintenance, training and freight services. MEA's chairman Khaled Salam said the deal is aimed at

"avoiding competition ... and also improving the performance of both companies." Trans Mediterranean chairman Fadi Saab, said the deal would lower operational costs and increase productivity.

MEA flourished before the civil war, when Lebanon was the hub of Middle East air traffic and tourism. It incurred debts of \$100 million over the past four years, prompting the government to take a 99 percent stake to cover the debt. MEA has 4,500 workers and is Lebanon's second largest employer after the civil service. As Lebanon tries to regain its prewar status, MEA has sought to expand its 16-plane fleet and add new routes.

Cash-strapped Trans Mediterranean operates three cargo jets and employs 450 people.

Denmark lends Jordan \$40m.

Denmark agreed yesterday to lend Jordan \$40 million to finance Danish imports and development projects in the kingdom. An agreement was signed by acting Planning Minister Nasser Lawzi and Danish Ambassador Lars Blinkenberg, A Planning Ministry statement said \$20mL will be paid this

year and the remainder in 1998. It did not disclose the terms of the loan.

Sharon in Russia

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Leon: Zim sale should be to strategic investors

By DAVID HAYOUN / Globes and Jerusalem Post Staff

"The government's holdings in the Zim navigation line should be privatized through a sale to private strate-gic investors," the prime minister's economic adviser Moshe Leon said. Leon's statement came hours after a government-appointed committee submitted its recommendations to offer El Al in its entirety on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, rather than to

individual investors. Zim's situation is different, how-

ever, since unlike the air carrier where the government is a full owner -- the container shipping firm is shared by the government and the Israel Corporation, each of which holds a 50-percent stake in Zim.

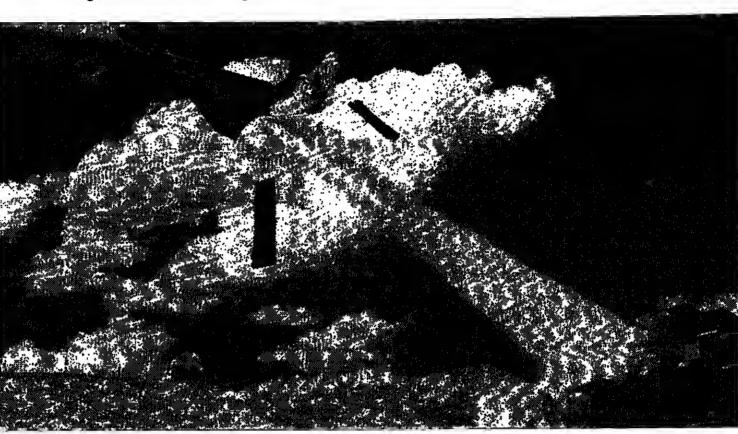
The Israel Corporation, which this week announced it had shifted from profit to loss in the first quarter, is believed to be interested in disposing of its holdings in Zim.

However, shorn of its recently deceased paniarch, Shoul Eisenberg, and increasingly entangled in an inheritance feud among his survivors, analysis are unsure about the Israel Corporation's ability to take tough strategic decisions in the immediate future.

According to Leon, the best way to privatize Zim should not be by selling its shares on a stock exchange. since the losses the firm has recently been sustaining may result in an

undersubscribed offering or an undervaluation of the firm - which dominates the local cargo industry. In the first quarter of 1997, Zim lost \$12.8 million, compared with a profit of \$2.1m. in the corresponding period last year, primarily due to the

crisis on the world shipping market. As a result, the company has instituted a comprehensive streamlining plan, including the voluntary retirement, in the next few years, of 200 of its 1,000 on-shore employees.



The Israel Aircraft Industries's Harpy anti-radar attack UAV in a demonstration.

Israeli defense companies to exhibit new products at Paris Air Show

By STEVE RODAN

Several Israeli defense contractors say they will present new products at the Paris Air Show later this month, competing with 1,700 exhibitors from

50 countries. Israel Aircraft Industries will introduce the unmanued Harpy anti-radar attack aerial vehicle

Yahud-based BL Ground Support Equipment at

the air show, which begins June 14, one day before the Israelis will exhibit as the opening date is on Shabbat.

The model ATT-1, which is operated without a towing rod, was developed for towing most of the military aircraft and helicopters worldwide. Defense analysts said many deaths are caused by rods dismantled from planes after lowing.

show, Azimuth Ltd. of Ra'anana, is unveiling a

new GPS-based direction finder system called

Comet. Executives said at a news conference yes-

terday that the system, connected to any fire con-

trol system, can be found by satellite in any weath-

Azimuth also announced it will exhibit the

LIGHT module, which was designed for upgrading existing laser rangefinders to acquire data for artillery and to obtain field intelligence.

"The demands of the modern battlefield make the need for improved target acquisition more and more urgent," Azimuth international marketing manager Reuven Fuchs said. "LIGHT represents a breakthrough in providing target data for critical

The Treasury's original proposal

PA receipts from donors total \$1.5b.

By JON INMARUEL

The Palestinian Authority has received more than half the funds committed by the donor countries, most of it in the past two years, PA Depnty Planning Minister Anis al-Qaq said yester-

At a press conference ahead of the donors' conference m Washington tomorrow in which he broke down the contributions into sectors, Al-Qaq said the donors bad so far given \$1.527 billion of the \$2.817 billion actually committed in writing over five years, although earlier pledges had come to \$3.4b.

Al-Qaq said the PA will ask for \$52 million in extra aid, but expects to be grilled by donors about recent reports of widespread corruption in the PA. The report said \$326m., or nearly half the 1997 budget, were lost to corruption and mismanagement Al-Qaq said the largest chunk

of the donor money so far received went to financing the PA budget, \$453m.; and the expenses of the public sector (health, education, transport and water). \$445m.

Smaller amounts went to technical assistance, \$262m.; nongovernment organizations (NGOs), \$151m.; employment generating projects, \$62m.; equipment purchases, \$74m.; the private sector, \$22m.; payment in kind (food, machinery), \$79m.; and various other sectors \$131m. The funds were mostly intended for infrastructure, but with each passing year since 1994, the amount required to balance the PA budget was decreasing - from \$152m. in 1994, \$120m. in 1995 and \$75m. in 1996.

In 1997 he expected the short-fall to be \$52m out of a total budget of \$866m.

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The situation would be better if we did not have a closure," al-Qaq said in an interview with The Jerusalem Post,

The large amount donated to NGOs has been a source of friction with the PA, since, as their name implies, the use of their funds is less easily controlled and many of the NGOs are considered obsolete.

Al-Qaq said the donor contributions were satisfactory although, at this point he said "we should have received 70 percent of the pledges. He noted that the amounts are increasing annually Rada Electronic Industries, Herzliya, plans to planning stage reach implementapresent several new systems in Paris, including tion. the FACE military system for debriefing air oper-ations. The system combines debriefing after Despite the donor funding and the closing of the PA budget deficit, the PA budget remained in operations, as well as training flights as exercises an extremely depressed state, he The Israel and Dutch air forces use the system. said. "There are no new investors except in housing and building and existing factories have reduced production." He estimated that the standard

By DAVID HARRIS

National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon left for Russia last night to launch negotiations on the possible supply of natural gas and

addition to the Egyptian gas that Israel is in protracted negotiations to buy. Talks are still ongoing with a

variety of other countries - including Qatar, Greece, Turkey and Sharon's visit to Russia was first at the biannual air show. The Harpy, in operation suggested during Prime Minister in the Israeli and other air forces, is an armed UAV Binyamin Netanyahu's March designed to detect and destroy radar emitters. IAI executives said the company has sold \$200 meeting in Moscow with his million worth of the Harpy systems. Russian counterpart Victor An aircraft towing tractor will be featured by the Chernomyrdin.

peroleum, accordi to ministry spokesman Ra'anan Gissin.

This follows the appointment last month of Boris Nemtsov as fuel and energy minister. Before the appointment, Sbaron was scheduled to visit Russia, but the change led to a delay in bis planned trip.

During his visit he will meet senior Russian officials and the head of RAO Gazprom, the world's largest gas producer. Sharon will discuss regular purchases of natural gas from Russia as a potential replacement for or

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The gas would be supplied from Russian via an underwater, rather than land-based pipeline. Additionally, Sharon will raise the issue of coal purchases for Israel Electric Corporation power sta-tions. He will also discuss joint infrastructure projects, including laying rail lines.

Agriculture Ministry: Treasury 'sucking By DAVID HARRIS

Relations between the Treasury and Agriculture Ministry hit a new low yesterday when the latter's director-general Danny Krichman described State Budget Department officials as "bloodsuckers" and said he refuses point-blank to increase water tariffs to farmers.

The ministry is claiming the Treasury is refusing to fund vital Mekorot water company works in the Negev until Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan approves a five to seven argorot increase in treated sewage water prices to farmers. "This is sheer blackmail," said

Agriculture Ministry spokesman

the blood' of farmers in water price row Naphtali Yaniv. "We're talking about millions of shekels here." The Treasury is refusing to react to

these latest comments from the Agriculture Ministry. "If the Agriculture Ministry wants

to discuss this in an appropriate manner we will react accordingly," a Treasury spokesman said. "However, we will not relate to this mudslinging."

er.

Krichman, who is quoted as having told the Knesset Finance Committee he would agree to the increase "over my dead body," said such pressure from the Treasury will have no effect.

Krichman's claim is that the Treasury is preventing the funding of

Pepsico to reorganize

US bottling operations

spin that off," said Skip

expect it in early 1998."

a project to bring treated sewage In recent months there have been several similar disputes between the water from the greater Tel Aviv area to the Negev. two ministries.

for air battles.

In August last year, for example, While water is already pumped the two reached a partial agreement southwards through a constructed pipeline, Mckorot is waiting for over proposed increases in water funding to distribute this water to the prices for farmers. After protracted farmers negotiations, they agreed to a 9.7

"The drying out [by the Treasury] percent rise in the price of fresh water, or six agorot per cubic meter. of tens of thousands of dunams of land has no chance of pressuring us into giving in," said Krichman.

was for an average price hike of The Asriculture Ministry is of the 13.3%. However, at that stage they opinion that the water price increase failed to reach agreement on the will cause farmers undue hardship. Krichman intends bringing the row to the cabinet, where Eitan will prepricing of treated sewage water, an issue they said would be negotiated at a later date. It is this specific issue sent a picture of blackmail on the which is the cause of the current dispart of the Treasury. oute.

of living in Gaza and the West Bank had dropped by 40%.

What keeps people afloat are private donations from abroad. amounting to \$1.2b., and personal savings. He said that before the Oslo

agreement there was 20% mcmployment and a workforce of 400,000. Of these at least 100,000 worked in Israel (compared to under 50,000 today) and 300,000. in Gaza and the West Bank.

Of this 300,000, only 180,000 are employed today. They include security forces of at least 30,000, agricultural workers 100,000 and textile laborers, 30,000.

While the same number is involved in agriculture today as four years ago, their production is a great deal less," Al-Qaq estimated.

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indeed spin off its new beverage operations, it wouldn't be this year.

"That would interfere with the restaurant business spinoff in the fourth quarter," be said.

NEW YORK (Reuter) -PepsiCo Inc. said on Monday it would create a separate unit for its \$6 billion-a-year bottling operations in what Wall Street analysts said was a prelude to a spin-off.

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generate up to \$6.4b. in 1997 New Yo revenues, hoped to obtain more specific details at a special allday meeting with company executives set for today. "Even though Pepsi's denying it, there's no question they'll

Analysts, who estimate the new PepsiCola Bottling Co. will

Opting for a bull's eye,



work for another spinoff. "It's just a new way to structure our business by bringing additional resources and managerial talent to each segment of the company," said PepsiCo spokesman Brad Shaw. Wall Street applauded the

repeatedly denied Monday's

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restructuring by driving PepsiCo's stock up \$1 to \$37.75 in consolidated trading on the

Carpenter, an analyst at manage Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette. "I The co ~in-syne

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and you don't give them a great pass, they

the floor more tonight to

with long-armed defenders.

(Pippen)," Malone said.

don't deserve to win."

Wednesday, June 4, 1997 The Jerusalem Post

Defending champs Jazz still confident after heartbreaker sent packing you're not going to give yourself much of a chance," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. hit the ball and knock it to someone else." The Jazz don't have a victory yet, but they CHICAGO (AP) - When Houston's Eddie Johnson beat them with a buzzer bas-"We're playing against a great, great have the Bulls' attention and respect with

Coetzer beats Graf, Kafelnikov loses to Kuerten at French Open

PARIS (AP) - Defending cham- next WTA rankings. pions Yevgeny Kafelnikov and Steffi Graf crashed out of the least one unseeded player will be French Open, both losing in the in the men's final. quarterfinals yes-

terday. Kafelnikov was beaten 6-2, 5-7, 2-6, 6-0, 6-4 by Gustavo Kuerien, an unseeded 20year-old Brazilian ranked No. 66 in the world. Graf, a five-time champion, lost 6-1, 6-4 Io Amanda who Coetzer.

posted her third

victory over the

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German this year. Graf failed 10 Amanda Coetzer make the semififourth

nals for the first time since 1986. Martina Hingis, Graf's successor as No. 1 in the world, rolled past her doubles partner Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, a two-time champion here, 6-2, 6-2 in 64 min-

Hingis, 16, is still unbeaten this year and is seeking ber second Grand Slam title after winning the Australian Open. third.

Third-seeded Monica Seles, who won the title three years in a row before she was stabbed in 1993 in Germany, rallied to prevail over Mary Joe Fernandez 3-6, 6-2, 7-5.

The third set was pure luck. I really had to fight, one or two points decided it," said Seles, who will vault over Graf to No. 2 in the



7 (2-7), 6-4, 6-3. Kafelnikov seemed to be in command after winniog the third set, but inexplicably his game fell apart early in the (Reuter)

He clearly let the sel go to con-centrate on the fifth, but Kuerten broke him in the very first game of the final set. That proved to be

decisive break. "I lost my concentration at the beginning of the fourth set and I couldn't recover from that," said the Russian, who was seeded

Kuerten bas bad an amazing run at the tournament, and his victims also included another former champion, Thomas Muster.

Graf was undone by a slew of unforced errors in losing to the 11th-seeded South African, who has become Graf's nemesis. "I don't seem to have any confi-

ket in Game 4 of the Western Conference team. Michael Jordan is finals, the Utah Jazz responded with two the greatest player ever. straight victories to earn their first trip to the But it boils down to the NBA Finals.

Now they've got to regroup again. This time it was Michael Jordan's jumper in Game 1 that sent them to the locker room numbed by a last-second loss.

"Just because they made a big shot and we came back from one last time doesn't make it automatic," John Stockton says. "All losses feel pretty much the same. We just have "We didn't space them out and they got three of the best defenders in the league to play better."

The Jazz led for most of Sunday's opener, finally falling 84-82 on Jordan's basket after Karl Malone missed two free throws. Utah also suffered from uncharacteristic sloppy ball-handling with 18 turnovers, an area they must improve in Game 2 tonight. "If you're going to play like that, then

Sheringham wants out

LONDON (Reuter) - England striker Teddy Sheringham reportedly demanded a transfer from Tottenham yesterday, sparking a possible £6 million scramble for his signature.

Sheringham was quoted in The Sun as saying: "I put in a written transfer request because I need a new challenge at this time in my career."

But Tottenham skipper Gary Mabbutt told him he should reconsider because the club are in a position to be successful

by injuries last season and finished in mid-table. Sheringham has been at

signing from Nottingham Forest.

In spite of his impressive performance, the Belgian

club was oot prepared to give him a commitment on

the spot. Harazi was also keeping his options open. Before making a final decision, he had wanted to see

This fact, however, will not be known for another

two weeks and the Belgian club was not prepared to

SEATTLE (AP) – Randy Johnson pitched a two-hitter and Keo Griffey Jr. hit his major league-leadiog 25th home run as the Seattle Mariners beat the hit until Alex Gonzalez's one-out bloop single to center in the sixth

After Gonzalez was caught stealing, Johnson surrendered a bloop single to Tilson Brito before striking out Otis Nixon to end the inning.

Johnson struck out nice and walked three.

Griffey hit a 421-foot shot over the center-field fence on the first pitcb from Luis Andujar (0-1) with two outs in the first.

Yankees 4, Red Sox 2 Paul O'Neill went 3-for-4 and drove in the go-ahead run in the seventh inning, and David Wells pitched seven solid innings to lead

New York to a road win. After losing the opener of the four-game series, the Yankees won the final three games.

With the score tied 2-2 in the seventh, Bernie Williams and Tino Martinez hit one-out singles before Vaughn Eshelman relieved Aaron Sele (6-4). O'Neill followed with a line drive to right.

Wells (6-3) allowed six hits in winning for the fifth time in his last seveo starts. Jeff Nelson pitched the eighth and Mariano Rivera got three outs for his 16th

White Sox 8, Brewers 5 Rookie Mike Cameron's two-

run double highlighted Chicago's three-run ninth inning. Chicago's Albert Belle went 0their fierce play and a

Stockton-Malone screen-oriented offense NBA on TV that, when orchestrated Cable Sports Channel 5 bas correctly, makes it announced its intention to broadcast live Game 2 of the NBA funds tough for even a good defensive team like Chicago to contain.

"They are very capable and we know that," Jordan said. "They are mature and maintain their poise and have consummate pros on their team, along with some young players with young legs.

Looking back at our four previous oppo-neots, you'd have to say Utah is the most fundamentally sound and mature team we've faced in the finals."

Jordan, who scored 31 points, is expecting more double-teams this time around. He hit

his game-winner when the only defender on him was Utah's Bryon Russell. Jeff Hornacek and Shandon Anderson also guarded the Bulls' superstar.

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We know in any crunch time Michael is going to get the ball. If we had to do it over again, we'd probably have time to go dou-ble him. He was looking for the doubleteam," Malone said, adding that the Jazz have to play tough inside and keep the Bulls off the boards.

"You have to match their intensity. They put a body on you the whole night and I think we did that, too. That's how they win championships, how they've won championships."

Utah has been able to respond to tough losses all season. It's just the makeup of the team. "We've always been pretty good at that," Hornacek said. "We don't let it affect us. We say the

game is over and we go on."

Johnson hurls 2-hit shutout for Seattle; Belle's hit streak snapped at 27

at 3:45 a.m. tomorrow.



TOP SLUGGER - Frank Thomas hits an RBI double as the White Sox beat the

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Harazi signs with Anderlecht

dence," Graf said.

By ORI LEWIS

Ronnen Harazi yesterday decided to plump for Belgian first division side Anderlecht as the club which will become his home for the next four sea-

Less than 24 hours after returning from Spain, where he was in intensive negotiations with Spanish second division side Salamanca, the Betar Jerusalem and Israel international striker was back at the departures lounge at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday afternoon, ready to board a flight for Brussels.

- He arrived there late last night in order to sign a four-year contract with the club worth \$1.5 million. The decision was not

an easy one, and Salamanca had thought they had netted the Israeli following successful talks with the Spanish club

wait. They changed their tune and began pushing for him to make a quick decision yesterday. He was also persuaded by several personal factors, most important of which is that Anderlecht, from. Brussels, is situated in a city with a large Jewish community. This, apparently was important to both

whether Salamanca would be promoted.

Harazi, and his wife Galit. Harazi was also con-THE THE REALTAR

vinced by national team coach Shlomo Scharf and by Ronnie Roseothal, who played in Belgium for FC Bruges Standard Liege, that he should plump for Anderlecht, which they both described as one of Europe's major soccer powerhouses. Harazi's contractual negotiations had left him oo time to train with the national Cy Young Award winner Greg team, which leaves Maddux. for Moscow today Murray, making his first majorahead of the crucial league start after two relief World Cup qualifier appearances, gave up seven hits with Russia on and four runs in 6% innings. Maddux (6-2) allowed nine hits Sunday. and all five runs in seven innings, His absence, therefore, prompted Scharf the most earned runs against him in 12 starts this season. to leave him out of the party which boards a flight for the Al Leiter pitched seven innings, Russian capital this his longest outing of the year, and Gary Sheffield homered to lead evening.

The London side were ravaged Tottenham for four years since

that Griffey couldn't get to.

Toronto Blue Jays 3-0 on Monday. Johnson (8-1) didn't give up a

which is vying for a place in the first division in one of the loughest leagues in the world.

But the Anderlecht option had never closed. After having met Harazi over a month ego, as reported by Israel Radio, representatives of the club have kept in touch with the player. An Anderlechi official was present at Betar Jerusalem's final game of the season at Hapoel Beit She'an last Friday, where Harazi scored two goals in bis side's 3-2 victory.

for-3 with two walks, ending his Monday. Thomas got three hits to take over the AL batting lead with a .389 mark. career-high hitting streak at 27 games. It was also the longest streak in the majors this season. Florida to a home win. NATIONAL LEAGUE

Rockies 11, Cardinals 7 Padres 5, Braves 4 Andres Galarraga hit his fifth Visiting San Diego rookie Heath home run in seven games and Murray picked up his first majordrove in four runs as Colorado league victory, beating four-time won on the road.

Galarraga's opposite-field, three-run homer in the fifth was measured at 426 feet. Galarraga's 15th homer of the

season gave the Rockies a 6-0 lead. Cardinals starter Daony Jackson (1-1) walked the first two batters before Galarraga homered into the right-field bullpen. Chicago Minnesota West Division

Jackson allowed six runs on five hits in five innings raising his ERA to 7.36. Ray Lankford hit a three-run homer for St. Louis in the fifth.

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BIRMINGHAM (AP) - Australia's unsettled First Test preparations have been further compounded by injury worries, leaving the tourists struggling to field 11 fit players for the start of the six-Test Ashes series tomorrow.

Australia, still coming to terms with its unexpected defeat against Derbyshire, are well short of a fit bowling attack after strike bowler Jason Gillespie joined Andy Bichel on the casualty list. Gillespie, suffering from a badly bruised toe, managed just five overs

in the Derbyshire second innings and is unlikely to be 100 per cent fit for the first day of the Edgbaston Test.

But Australian captain Mark Taylor, who scored his first half-century in 18 months in the Derbyshire encounter, believes his opening bowless will shape up for the challenge against England.

"I think (Glenn) McGrath and Gillespic are all right provided Jason gets over his injured toe," said Taylor.

"I'd like to have 11 fit blokes come Thursday but I don't think I'm going to have 11 fully-fit blokes to play in the first Test match," he added.

With medium paceman Bichel requiring at least 10 days rest to secuperate from a back injury, the third paceman in the tourists' line-up will either be Brendon Julian or Michael Kasprowicz, the only seamer to have endured the opening stages of the 16-week tour without an injury Australia's injury woes have been overshadowed by the existing dilemma surrounding Taylor's poor form with the bat as an opener.

Taylor, who insists he will lead his team at Edgbaston, is prepared to base his form oo his second-innings 63 against Derbyshire. Before that he had scored just 53 runs in three first-class innings and two one day internationals. Meanwhile, former Australia Test captain Ian Chappell said the

Australian selectors are to blame for the ill-effects that are disturbing the

"I think they are the worst panel that Australia have had in my time of

following Australian cricket," said Chappell, "The selectors have to

show a bit of guts "The team is being picked in the best interests of one

player and what's best for Mark Taylor rather than the whole team and

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Australian squad because of the Taylor selection issue.

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WHAT'S ON



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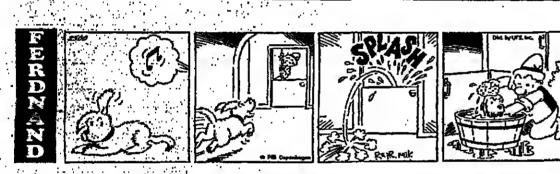
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FILM

ADINA HOFFMAN

*** THE ASSOCIATE - A cheerfully commercial comedy starring Whoopi Goldberg as a high-powered financial analyst who rams her black, female head through Wall Street's glass ceiling, Donald Petrie's film is much more peculiar than it looks at first glance. The picture has all the trappings of a TV sit-com: crisp punch lines, a perky soundtrack, a cast of cartoonish supporting players and an inevitable, overlong descent into broadly played physical farce (the movie features both female- and male-impersonators). But beneath the familiar clowning, the film also strikes a deep chord of sexual and racial unease. Goldberg's performance is so dry, unflustered and quietly knowing, it knocks a serious hole through the script's jokey surface. This may be funny, but it's for real, she seems to be saying - no kidding. Also with Dianne Wiest. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance suggested.)



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Tight security for Jerusalem Day

NEWS

By ELLI WOHLGELERNTER

Hundreds of extra police, border policemen and IDF soldiers have been deployed around Jerusalem today for the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the reunification of the city.

"We are prepared for the thousands of people who are expected to stream into Jerusalem to visit the Western Wall and participate in the various marches throughout the city," police spokesman Shmuel Ben-Ruby said yesterday. Police are on a heightened state

of alert following reports that 12 suicide bombers have been dispatched by Islamic Jihad to attempt terrorist attacks in Israel.

Despite the threat, a jamboree of events will take place throughout Jerusalem to celebrate the reunification of the city. Beginning at 9 a.m., thousands of kindergarten children will gather at Safra Square at City Hall for singing and dancing.

The Knesset will hold a ceremony to mark the eveot at 11:00 a.m. As is customary, a memorial ceremony will take place at 1 p.m. on Mount Herzl, to honor the memory of the soldiers who fell io the Six Day War, including the 181 who fell fighting in Jerusalem. Presideot Ezer Prime Minister Weizman. Binyamio Netanyahu, Knesset Speaker Dan Tichon, Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert, members of the Supreme Court, the chief rabbis and others will participate in

the ceremony.

The official state ceremony marking the unification of the city will take place at 5 p.m. on Ammunition Hill, the site of a fierce and decisive battle in the war where 36 Israeli soldiers were killed. Netanyahu, Weizman, and Olmert will also take part in that service.

In the afternoon, thousands of young people will conduct a "Flag Dance" march from Sacher Park to the Western Wall.

At the Jerusalem International Convention Center at 5 p.m., 36 students will compete in the Israeli finals of the first International Jewish Identity Competitioo, co-sponsored by Bar-Ilan University and the Education Ministry. The world finals will be held oo June 24 in Basel, Swltzerland.

Jerusalem will also see a number of political events, including a march at 6 p.m. to Har Homa by members of Gush Shalom, who

will be joined hy Palestinians. The Temple Mount Faithful will cooduct their own march beginning at 9 a.m. at Ammunition Hill, which will ioclude a demonstration in front of Orient House and an attempt to go up on the Temple Mount.

At 8 p.m., there will be a para-trooper assembly at Sultan's Pool, with a light and sound show simulating the events during the war. At 7 p.m., Netanyahu will attend a memorial ceremony near Kibbutz Ramat Rahel for Ethiopian Jews who perished eo route to Israel.



Border policemen watch over schoolchildren ontside Jerusalem City Hall yesterday. Police presence was boosted in the capital ahead (Bryan McBurney) of Jerusalem Day today.

PM: Peace achievable Municipality angers Greece

By MICHAL YUDELMAN

The Jerusalem Muoicipality has angered the Greek Emhassy by incorrectly scheduliog a European championship basketball game as a Jerusalem Day event - and describing it as a soccer match.

In a large display ad in The Jerusalem Post and throughout the Hebrew press, the city's public relations department featured the "friendly international soccer game" of "Israeli champions vs. Greek champions" as one of the celebratioos marking 30 years unification of since, ... the Jerusalem.

"Maybe the game will now be Olmert said: "These baskethall postponed, and it's very embarrassing to us." Greek charge d'affaires Heleo Tzaoetoolea-Dimidis said yesterday.

The event was the only foreign participation featured in the score of celebrations listed in the ad. Because of European Union

policy on Jerusalem, the supposed participation of a Greek national team in the celebratioo could embarrass Athens, diplomatic sources said.

In a letter to Ambassador to Greece Ran Kuriel, who asked for an explanation, the diplomatic adviser to the Mayor Ehud

games were oot planned as part of our Jerusalem Day events; if at one point it appeared that they

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were considered as such, this was erroneous." The letter, which was also seot to the Greek Embassy in Tel Aviv, made oo mention of the iocorrect advertisement and offered oo explanatioo of why

the game was advertised as a Jerusalem Day eveot. 'The game was organized within the framework of preparatioo for the European championsbip and has oo connection

with the Jerusalem Day events," said Tzaoetoulea-Dimidis.

By LIAT COLLINS

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu yesterday promised coalition MKs that the government would achieve a peace agreement that would "surprise the world and some people at

He said it is possible to reach an agreement and believes the negotiations will be resumed in the near future. Netanyahu said the agreement would be a package deal which the public would be able unite behind.

"It's much easier to hold negotiations on a comprehensive range of subjects than on individual steps. When one sees the whole package, it's much more convincing and promising," he said. He warned, however, that the Palestinians must understand that the agreement will not include dividing Jerusalem, returning to the 1967 borders, or allowing an influx of Palestinian refugees.

In a barbed criticism aimed at the former government, he said: "It's oo big achievement to make peace when you accept the dictates of the other side, go back to the 1967 borders, make cosmetic changes, and divide Jerusalem." Netanyahu said four Palestinian Authority institutions in Jerusalem had been closed, had reopened, and been closed again. As part of the strengthening of Jerusalem, Netanyahu noted the Har Homa project would proceed.

He said there are currently discussions in the inner cabinet on Israel's stand on the negotiations on the permaneot arrangements

and determining a map which would then be presented to the cabinet and coalitioo.

He said the government is building in Judea and Samaria, but did not give details. "We're building there because there is a demand." He rejected the US report that most of the homes in Judea and Samaria remain empty and unsold. Netanyahu said the government

will carry out a "revolution" in land use policy to cut the red tape. He said part of the problem of greater extremism stems from a feeling among part of the public that they are being gagged, with no outlet for their views. "We must ensure pluralism io the media," be said. "Today, you turn on Channel 1 and hear one opinion and turn to Channel 2 and hear the same opinion."

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Winning cards and numbers

The winning cards in yester-day's Chance draw (148/97) were the seven of spades, king of hearts, nine of diamonds and 10 of clubs. The results of the second draw. (149/97) were the seven of spades. seven of hearts, nine of diamonds and ace of clubs.

In yesterday's lotto draw, the winning numbers were 37, 33, 29, 26, 22 and 6. The additional number was 11.





180,000 schoolchildren from 450 state elementary schools across israel have taken part in the various stages of the competition, and 36 youth have reached the finals, which will be held today at 5 p.m. at Binyanei Ha'uma in Jerusalem. The six winners, together with competition winners from Jewish schools in 36 countries around the world, will participate in the international finals, two weeks from now, in Basel, Switzerland, site of the First Zionist Congress.

Tha questions presented to the young contestants express the inseparable link between Jewish heritage and Zionism, and between the Jewish people and our reborn state in Zion. For example: Who were the forefathers of modern Zionism? How many names does Jerusalem have? What is the precept "Love thy Neighbor as Thyself"? and more.

This exciting project was launched by the International Center for Jewish Identity at Bar-Ilan University, in conjunction with the Israeli Ministry of Education and Culture. Our purpose; to bring together Israel and the Diaspora youth, Ihrough the study of Zionism and Jewish heritage.

Join us applauding the tens of thousands of students in Israel and around the world taking part in the Jewish Identity Competition!

Competition Finals to be broadcast live today on Radio Kol Chai 93FM, at 5 p.m.

Co-sponsored by: the Municipality of Jerusalem, the Jewish Agency's Joint Authority for Jewish Education and Culture in the Diaspora, the Jewish National Fund and El-Al.



Peace Now: Settlements meant to scuttle peace

By MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

Two reports by Peace Now, published within days of each other, charge that the massive construction curreotly taking place in Judea and Samaria are proof that Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is intent on bringing about a total collapse of the peace talks.

A report Sunday claims 400 building permits autho-rized in the past two weeks are part of a massive plan to step up settlement construction. The report was denied by the Defense Ministry and the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea, Samaria, and Gaza.

According to Peace Now director-general Mossy Raz, 300 building permits were issued in Beit Horon, 62 in Alon Moreh, and 41 in Vered Jericho.

In addition, Raz said that the Housing Ministry last week published a tender to huild two new oeighborhoods in Kamei Shomron containing 110 units.

Avi Benayahu, media coordinator for Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai, said the permits granted in the three settlements are part of a construction plan drawn up a few years ago and relate to settlements where partial construction has already started.

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The second Peace Now report, published yesterday, claims that the Housing Ministry this week issued tenders for the construction of 636 housing units in three settlements: Beitar, 471; Karnei Shomron, 110; and Ma'aleh Ephraim, 55.

Housing Ministry spokesman Moshe Freidman said the report relates to permits granted last year. "Whatever is approved by the Defense Ministry is transferred to us and a proper working plan is drawn up, then we advertise for contractors," he said.

Benayahu added that the permits take into account the natural growth of settlements, and are issued only after all legal and security aspects are explored. The majority of the permits mentioned stem from decisions made many years ago, he noted, adding that once approval is given a further two or three years go by before they are executed.

However, council spokeswoman Yehudit Tayar said the reports are a clear attempt to mislead the public and direct bad feeling toward the settlers. They obviously took some of the information from pewspaper ads without checking the facts. The oumbers are not at all accurate," she said.



Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak (IDF Spokesman) Shahak leaves on weeklong US visit By ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

Chief of Geoeral Staff Lt-Gen. Amnoo Lipkin-Shahak left. last night for a week-long visit to the US, where he will meet with his outgoing US counterpart, Gen. John Shalikasbvili and lecture.

Shahak will also be attending meetings with National Security Adviser Samuel Berger and Gen. Charles Krulak, commandant of the US Marine Corps, whose troops recently were involved in intensive training in the Negev.

Shahak will also lecture at the Washington Research Institute and before the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations: Sbabak was invited to the

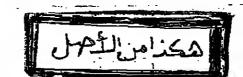
United States by Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, during his visit to Israel last January,

It is not clear if Shahak will also be meeting with Air Force Gen. Joseph Ralston, who is expected to be appointed to take over from Sbalikashvili at the end of the summer,

Shahak's visit also precedes that of Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai, who is scheduled 101 visit the US in mid-Inne.

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